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PREFACE

With this volume the National Archives and Records Administration continues its publication of a major research aid, "The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-1912: A Guide to Federal Records for the Territorial Period." This multivolume guide is intended to succeed the previous letterpress and microfilm publication of documents constituting *The Territorial Papers of the United States*. Rather than providing transcripts of selected documents, the guide, when completed, will identify and describe the significant series of civil and military records relating to the contiguous States and Territories carved out of the area west of the Mississippi River. It will inform researchers of the nature of available Federal records and their location, whether in the Washington, DC, area or in regional archives.

Guides such as this one have been prepared at the National Archives since 1940 when the first *Guide to the Material in the National Archives* was published. Over time, new editions of this general guide have been published, and supplementary guides have been issued that focus on specific portions of Archives holdings. In this latter category are the *Guide to Federal Records Relating to the Civil War* (1962), *Guide to the Archives of the Government of the Confederate States of America* (1968), *Guide to Materials on Latin America in the National Archives of the United States* (1974), *Guide to Records in the National Archives of the United States Relating to American Indians* (1981), *Black History: A Guide to Civilian Records in the National Archives* (1984), *Guide to the Holdings of the Still Picture Branch* (1990), and most recently *American Women and the U.S. Armed Forces: A Guide to the Records of Military Agencies in the National Archives Relating to American Women* (1992). Also compiled by National Archives staff but published privately is *Documenting Alaskan History: Guide to Federal Archives Relating to Alaska* (Alaska Historical Commission Studies in History No. 23, University of Alaska Press, 1982). All of these publications are designed to make the records in the National Archives better known and easier to use.

The publication of this fourth volume of the guide is intended to alert researchers interested in the American West to the research potential of records from the offices of two Federal officials who played major roles in our Nation's expansion. Beginning in 1849, the Secretary of the Interior was responsible for the formulation and administration of policies governing the disposal of public lands, the development of natural resources, and the Federal Government's relations with Native Americans west of the Mississippi River. The Commissioner of Railroads, acting on the Secretary's behalf, monitored construction of the Pacific railroads which, by linking population centers in the East and Midwest with the Pacific Coast, guaranteed and expedited settlement of the continent. The records described in this volume document the manner in which these officials accomplished their mission, and show the impact of governmental policies on the people and lands of the trans-Mississippi West.

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INTRODUCTION

The interest of the scholarly community in documenting the westward expansion of the United States was recognized as long ago as 1911, when the Carnegie Institution of Washington published David W. Parker's *Calendar of Papers in Washington Archives relating to the Territories of the United States (to 1873)*. Noted historian and editor J. Franklin Jameson began his preface to Parker's work by stating that archives could be exploited "for the general benefit of historical students" in three ways:

> The first process is that of the preparation and publication of summary guides, describing in general terms the contents of domestic or foreign archives. The second step is the preparation and publication of minuter descriptions, calendars usually, of some selected archival division or some special class of documents having sufficient importance to warrant treatment so detailed. The third stage of operation is the preparation and publication of important series of documents in full text.

The title of Parker's publication, of course, clearly identifies it as an example of the second step.

Under the provisions of the Ralston Act of March 3, 1925, the Department of State launched an ambitious project that met the objectives of Jameson's third stage: the preparation and letterpress publication of papers relating to the Territories. Compiled and edited by Clarence Edwin Carter, volume II, the initial volume of *The Territorial Papers of the United States,* was published in 1934. By 1950, when the project was transferred from the Department of State to the National Archives and Records Service, General Services Administration, volumes II through XIV, XVI, and XVII had been published. Under the auspices of the National Archives, Carter and his successor, John Porter Bloom, published volume XV and an additional 11 letterpress volumes; the general editorial materials compiled for inclusion in the unpublished volume I of the series were filmed in 1972 as Roll 1 of National Archives Microfilm Publication M721, *The Territorial Papers of the United States* (16 rolls). In addition to the unpublished materials, the microfilm publication includes reproductions of volumes II through XXVI. Not included in the microfilm edition are letterpress volumes XXVII and XXVIII covering Wisconsin Territory. The latter volume, the last letterpress volume issued in the series, was published in 1975.

By the time Wisconsin became a State in 1848, the quantity of material relating to the individual Territories had increased to such an extent that the letterpress volumes for Wisconsin were supplemented by a microfilm publication (M236) of pertinent documents that totaled 122 rolls of film. A microfilm edition of papers for Iowa (M325, 102 rolls) and less comprehensive editions for Minnesota (M1050, 19 rolls) and Oregon (M1049, 12 rolls) were issued after 1975, but work on additional letterpress volumes was suspended.

Since the sheer volume of pertinent materials, combined with high production costs, rendered the comprehensive publication of individual documents for the Territories impractical, the National Archives sought other ways of continuing the Territorial Papers project. In 1989, after consulting with concerned representatives of the historical and scholarly communities, the Archivist of the United States authorized a project exemplifying Jameson's first stage, the compilation of a guide to provide information about those holdings of the National Archives and its regional archives that relate to Territories not covered by *The Territorial Papers*. In developing the prospectus for the guide, the "territorial papers" concept was more or less discarded in favor of an approach that would provide more uniform coverage. The scope of the guide has been broadened to include all Federal records created during the period bracketed by the Louisiana Purchase in 1803 and the admission of New Mexico and Arizona to the Union in 1912 that relate to all of the contiguous States west of the Mississippi River. This change in concept allows for

coverage of Texas, California, and Indian Territory, areas that did not pass through the formal Territorial period prior to statehood. It also means that the guide will provide a general view of records relating to some States that are already covered by *The Territorial Papers* letterpress volumes, as well as to those that are not.

The objective of "The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-1912: A Guide to Federal Records for the Territorial Period" is to identify and describe those records created by both civil and military agencies and organizations that obviously include, or are likely to contain, documents concerning the States located beyond the Mississippi River. The records are described in varying levels of detail, ranging from general summaries of content to lists of individual file titles, an approach that actually combines aspects of Jameson's first and second stages of description. The 2 chapters of the guide presented here are fairly representative of the 100 or so chapters that will constitute the bulk of the complete guide.

These two chapters, covering the records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior and the records of the Commissioner of Railroads, constitute the first of three volumes, or sections, describing relevant records of the Department of the Interior. Taken together, the three volumes will form the fourth of several parts of the guide based on executive departments or subject areas that will be issued as discrete publications. This first section discusses the records documenting the activities of the offices of the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of Railroads. The second section will describe the relevant records of the following agencies that either were or are now part of the Department of the Interior: the U.S. Geological Survey, the National Park Service, the Office of Education, the Office of Territories, the U.S. Bureau of Mines, the Bureau of Reclamation, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The third section will cover the relevant records of the former General Land Office, one of the predecessors of the present Bureau of Land Management. Not included in the volumes making up Part IV are discussions of the relevant records of the Census Office, the Patent Office, the Pension Office, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The records of the Census Office and the Patent Office will be considered with the records of components of the Department of Commerce; those of the Pension Bureau, with the records of the Veterans Administration.

No guide volume is planned for records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs at this time. Since those records are extensively described in several existing National Archives publications, the decision was made that the time required to produce the guide could be more profitably expended working on records of other major agencies involved in Western expansion for which relatively little description is available. Researchers interested in the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs held by the National Archives and its regional archives should consult the following: *Preliminary Inventory of the Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs* (PI 163, 2 vols., 1965), compiled by Edward E. Hill; *Guide to Records in the National Archives of the United States Relating to American Indians* (1981), compiled by Edward E. Hill; Special List 13, *Cartographic Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs* (1977), compiled by Laura E. Kelsay; and the *Guide to Federal Records in the National Archives of the United States* (1995), which identifies the Bureau records now held in the Washington, DC, metropolitan area and the regional archives. Also available is Special List 6, *Lists of Documents Concerning the Negotiation of Ratified Indian Treaties, 1801-1869* (1949), compiled by John H. Martin, which identifies relevant documents found among the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and those of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior. Relevant microfilm publications are identified in *American Indians: A Select Catalog of National Archives Microfilm Publications* (1984, updated 1994), compiled by Cynthia G. Fox.

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) endeavors to keep records in the order in which they were maintained by the creating agency, in the belief that this best preserves their integrity and interrelationships. The agency filing systems, however, were designed for administrative purposes and not for the benefit of future researchers. A major reason for the preparation of guides such as this is to assist subject-oriented researchers in understanding the complexities and vagaries of recordkeeping

systems and in locating relevant items of interest among the vast quantities of records irrelevant to their needs.

The arrangement of the guide is by record group, the basic organizational unit to which all records in the National Archives are assigned. Most commonly, a record group consists of the records of a single bureau and its predecessors or the records of a single office; the two record groups discussed in this guide fall within the latter category. However, although both record groups consist of the records of a single office, the scope and quantity of materials contained in each vary greatly. Record Group 48, through the records produced by various administrative units of the office, documents the policies and activities of the Secretary of the Interior regarding most aspects of westward expansion after 1849, particularly Indian-white relations, the disposal of the public domain, and the development of natural resources in the trans-Mississippi West. Record Group 193, on the other hand, consists of records from the office of the Commissioner of Railroads and his predecessor, the Auditor of Railroad Accounts, officials whose primary responsibility was to monitor the activities of railroad companies constructing Federally subsidized railroads in the trans-Mississippi West and to report annually to the Secretary of the Interior on the condition of those companies, their roads, their accounts, and their affairs.

Each chapter in this guide incorporates data gleaned from pertinent descriptive materials previously produced by the National Archives, usually a preliminary inventory of one kind or another. While this guide relies heavily on inventories for content, it also incorporates information taken from introductions to relevant National Archives microfilm publications and entries in preliminary checklists, special lists, and subject guides, as well as materials produced by the governmental units that created the records. All of the publications used in compiling these chapters are cited at appropriate places in the text. One constant source of information, an important resource not cited in the individual chapters, is the *Guide to the Holdings of the Still Picture Branch of the National Archives*, compiled by Barbara Lewis Burger and published in 1990. The discussion of photographic records in this volume are based to a large degree on entries in that guide. A general source not cited in the individual chapters is the previously mentioned *Guide to Federal Records in the National Archives of the United States* (1995).

Within record groups, the basic archival unit of control for records is the series, which is a body of records arranged in some serial order or logically grouped together for some other reason. As noted above, NARA has prepared for many record groups inventories that describe the records series by series. Common to all types of inventories is the series entry, which includes the series title, covering dates, quantity, types of records, and perhaps some indication of content. Although most of the records discussed in this guide are also described in inventories, an attempt has been made here to present a different viewpoint, with more emphasis on subject matter, specific examples, and practical guidance on using the records. The discussion of basic records is expanded, and less significant records are treated more summarily.

In this guide, series titles and the dates of the records constituting the series appear in boldface type. Information about the volume of the records appears in parentheses following the dates. Volume is usually given in linear feet or inches, but in some instances, usually involving cartographic or photographic records, the number of items or images is given. Photographic records are usually identified by alphabetic collection designators instead of by series titles, with the designators shown in parentheses. For ease of indexing and ready reference, the paragraphs are numbered, i.e. 48.39, with 48 being the record group number and 39 the paragraph number; in some instances subparagraph numbers are used, resulting in an index citation such as 48.39.1. All such numbers are in boldface type. Tables and supplements, with titles crossreferenced to explanatory paragraphs in the text, provide either specific information on the content of a particular series or general information designed to facilitate use of the records. References in the text to Native Americans and other minorities reflect terms used in the records being discussed, a practice that often results in the use of language not always considered acceptable by today's standards.

Many series of records having high research value have been microfilmed by the National Archives and Records Administration, and the numbers of the pertinent microfilm publications are given in the text. Most of the microfilm publication numbers begin with the letter "M" (M606), but some begin with "T" (T529). The majority of the "M" publications are accompanied by descriptive pamphlets that contain thorough explanations of the origin, content, and arrangement of the records; the "T" publications merely reproduce documents without the benefit of explanatory introductions or notes. All of the microfilm publications cited in the text are listed in Appendix B.

The National Archives of the United States, the permanently valuable records of the Federal Government, are housed in the National Archives facilities located in the Washington, DC, metropolitan area, and in 13 regional archives, whose addresses are given in Appendix C. For the most part, the records described in this guide are held in the National Archives at College Park, MD, but some are in the custody of regional archives. These exceptions are noted in the text. Copies of many of the microfilm publications cited are available for use in the regional archives (see Appendix B for specific titles). Additional information concerning the distribution of reference copies of microfilm publications is provided by Special List 45, *National Archives Microfilm Publications in the Regional Archives System*, compiled by Teresa F. Matchette and issued in 1990.

Many members of the NARA staff have helped with this publication. Formal and informal finding aids are the foundation of the guide, and the staff members who prepared them are identified in appropriate places in the text. A number of staff members read and commented on the entries in this volume, while others helped in locating a few of the more obscure series; special thanks are extended to Barbara L. Burger, Dale Connelly, Richard C. Crawford, William J. Heynan, Elizabeth L. Hill, Edward McCarter, Teresa F. Matchette, Geraldine N. Phillips, Holly Reed, James S. Rush, Mary Kay Schmidt, Joseph D. Schwarz, Richard H. Smith, and Ronald E. Swerczek. Thanks are also due to staff members in the regional archives, particularly Suzanne J. Dewberry, at the National Archives--Pacific Southwest Region, and Barbara B. Rust, at the National Archives--Southwest Region.

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This volume was edited by Judy Miller and indexed by Jeanne Moody. Credit for the appearance of the volume and the craftsmanship that has gone into its production goes to Anne Bruner Eales, who during the course of the guide project has become expert at formatting the chapters, and to Serene Werblood, who developed the cover design for this volume and its three predecessors, *A Guide to Records of the Department of State for the Territorial Period*, *A Guide to Records of the Department of Justice for the Territorial Period*, and *A Guide to Records of the Department of Agriculture for the Territorial Period*. Thanks also to Ronnie Saunders, who has shepherded the guide volumes through the final production process.

Sharon Gibbs Thibodeau has supervised the guide since its beginnings. Her unwavering enthusiasm and steadfast support of the project are greatly appreciated.

Robert M. Kvasnicka

Record Group 48

RECORDS OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR

SIR: The act to establish the Department of the Interior was passed at the close of the last session of Congress, when the attention of that body was occupied by a large accumulation of public business, in consequence of which it was left, in some respects, imperfect. The department is named in the title "A Home Department;" but the body of the act provides that it shall be called "The Department of the Interior." The title of the act, being the part last adopted in the process of enactment, is believed to express the intention of Congress as to the name, but the language of the act itself being imperative, I felt constrained to conform to it in the adoption of a seal, and in all other official acts.

Thomas Ewing, Secretary of the Interior, to the President, Dec. 3, 1849, Report of the Secretary of the Interior *(H. Ex. Doc. 5, 31st Cong., lst sess., Serial 570), p. 1.*

INTRODUCTION

48.1 The Department of the Interior was established by an act of Congress of March 3, 1849. This act provided that the Secretary of the Interior should assume the supervisory and appellate powers previously exercised by the Secretary of War over the Commissioner of Indian Affairs; by the Secretary of the Treasury over the Commissioner of the General Land Office; by the Secretaries of War and the Navy over the Commissioner of Pensions; by the Secretary of State over the Commissioner of Patents; and by the President of the United States over the Commissioner of Public Buildings. The Secretary of the Interior was also to assume the duties of the Secretary of State concerning the census, the duties of the Secretary of the Treasury concerning the accounts of officers of U.S. courts and concerning lead and other mines, and supervisory control over the Board of Inspectors and the Warden of the Penitentiary for the District of Columbia. Only those functions and responsibilities of the Secretary that relate to the trans-Mississippi West will be discussed hereafter in this chapter.

48.2 The initial duties of the Secretary of the Interior related principally to the public domain, Indian affairs, pensions, and patents. Since 1849 a number of major and long-term responsibilities have been added, including those related to Territories, mine safety, geological and boundary surveys, national parks and monuments, fish and wildlife, mineral resources, soil conservation, departmental participation in national and international expositions, and the compilation of statistical information relating to agriculture, education, and labor. The Secretary has also had significant though short-term responsibility for the construction of wagon roads, support of railroad construction, and the distribution of public documents.

48.3 The act establishing the Department of the Interior in 1849 provided for only a Secretary, a Chief Clerk, and several clerks in the Office of the Secretary. The registers, copyists, and most other employees needed to carry out the duties acquired by the Office of the Secretary were transferred from those executive agencies formerly having responsibility for the duties. The position of Assistant Secretary was established in 1862, that of the First Assistant Secretary in 1885. From 1871 to 1914 the legal officer for the Department was the Assistant Attorney General, an official of the Department of Justice on detail to the Department of Interior. In 1914 the position title was changed to Solicitor, still within the Department of Justice; in 1926 the Solicitor was made an officer of the Interior Department.

48.4 From 1849 to about 1870, departmental clerks, under the direction of the Chief Clerk, were assigned duties relating to specific areas of responsibility such as land matters, Indians, patents, and pensions. By approximately 1870 these areas of responsibility had evolved into major recordkeeping divisions, commonly referred to as the Appointments, Finance, Patents and Miscellaneous, Lands and Railroads, and Indian Divisions. An Indian Territory Division was added in 1898. Each division was presided over by a clerk, called Chief of Division, who, by maintaining files and reviewing all correspondence between the Secretary and the bureau chiefs, became a subject area specialist. Eventually, charges were made that the divisions frequently exercised super-

visory authority over the bureaus and bureau chiefs and that the division chiefs made decisions that by law were the responsibility of the Secretary. This procedure was much criticized during the early years of the 20th century, most notably by the Committee on Departmental Methods (Keep Commission), which investigated the complaints and recommended a reorganization of the Office of the Secretary.

48.5 The Office of the Secretary was reorganized in 1907 in line with the recommendations of the Keep Commission. The Patents and Miscellaneous, Lands and Railroads, Indian, and Indian Territory Divisions were abolished. Thereafter, many of their former duties were handled directly in the bureaus without review in the Office of the Secretary. Matters that required action in the Secretary's Office were referred directly to the Secretary, First Assistant Secretary, Assistant Secretary, or, later, Chief Clerk. The Department retained the Appointments and Finance Divisions because their ongoing functions could not be readily delegated to a bureau. In 1907 a Mails and Files Division was established in the Office of the Secretary to perform the custodial functions handled by the four former divisions. This Division maintained the central classified file, which, by its subject classifications, covered most of the substantive program areas administered by the Interior Department. This central file was to be the main file for documenting communications between the Office of the Secretary and the bureau chiefs.

48.6 Since the Department's inception in 1849, many functions and activities have been administered in the Office of the Secretary of the Interior; others were delegated to bureaus and offices. The major bureaus and offices of the Department that exercised responsibilities over matters most relevant to this chapter were the Bureau of Indian Affairs, General Land Office (later Bureau of Land Management), Pension Office (or Bureau), Patent Office, Census Office, Office of Education, National Park Service, Office of Territories, Office of the Commissioner of Railroads, Geological Survey, Bureau of Reclamation, Bureau of Labor, Bureau of Mines, and Fish and Wildlife Service. Because the operations of all the component bureaus, offices, and other administrative units of the Department are reflected in the records of the Office of the Secretary, some information about them and their relationship to the Department is helpful in using this chapter.

48.7 The Bureau of Indian Affairs (known as the Office of Indian Affairs until 1947) has responsibility for matters concerned with the Federal Government's relations with Indians. It has remained in the Department of the Interior continuously since 1849. A Board of Indian Commissioners was established in 1869 to exercise joint control with the Secretary of the Interior over disbursements for Indian affairs. In 1882, the duties of the Board were restricted, but it continued to function until 1933.

48.8 The General Land Office had charge of the survey, management, and disposition of the public domain and generally of the execution of the laws relating to public lands. It also had charge of matters concerning forest reserves established by the President under authority of an act of March 3, 1891. In 1905 most of the responsibility for forest reserves was transferred to the Department of Agriculture. The General Land Office remained as such in the Department of the Interior from 1849 until 1946, when it was merged with the Grazing Service to form the Bureau of Land Management within in the Department.

48.9 The Pension Office (or Bureau) examined and adjudicated claims for pensions and bounty lands based on military or naval service. The Office remained in the Department of the Interior from 1849 to 1930, when it was transferred to the new Veterans Administration.

48.10 The Patent Office (now the Patent and Trademark Office), which administers patent laws, remained in the Department of the Interior from 1849 until 1925, when it was transferred to the Department of Commerce. The Patent Office had an Agricultural Division, which collected information and distributed seeds; when an independent Department of Agriculture was established in 1862, it took over the Division's property and activities.

48.11 Some duties transferred to the Interior Department were not delegated to an office or bureau. Functions relating to the decennial censuses and the accounts of officers of the U.S. courts were administered in the Office of the Secretary, usually in the Patents and Miscellaneous Division. A temporary office or bureau was organized for each decennial census until 1902, when a permanent Census Office was established. In the following year the Census Office was transferred to the Department of Commerce and Labor. The Secretary also supervised the accounts of marshals, clerks, attorneys, and other officers of the U.S. courts from 1849 to 1870. In 1870 control over court officers was transferred to the new Department of Justice.

48.12 Responsibilities concerning the acquisition of land and construction of public buildings outside the District of Columbia were also allocated to the Secretary of the Interior. Together with the Secretary of the Treasury and the Postmaster General, the Secretary of the Interior approved plans and estimates for public buildings throughout the United States from 1875 to 1910.

48.13 The Department of Education was established as an independent agency in 1867 and was made a bureau of the Department of the Interior two years later. Called the Bureau of Education from 1870 until 1929 and thereafter the Office of Education, its principal functions were to collect and disseminate information about education and generally to promote the cause of primary and secondary education. The Office of Education was transferred to the Federal Security Agency in 1939.

48.14 When the first national park, Yellowstone, was established in 1872, it was placed under the supervision of the Secretary of the Interior, as were all national parks established thereafter. National monuments, on the other hand, which were established by the President under the "Antiquities Act" of June 8, 1906, were administered by the executive departments having jurisdiction over the areas in which the monuments were located, namely, Agriculture, Interior, and War. The 1906 act also authorized the Secretary of the Interior to grant permits for archeological explorations upon lands under the Department's jurisdiction. Supervision of national parks and those monuments, including archeological sites, under the jurisdiction of the Interior Department remained in the Office of the Secretary until 1916, when the National Park Service was established within the Department.

48.15 As provided in an act of March 1, 1873, supervision of the Territorial governments of Arizona, Colorado, Dakota, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming, together with responsibility for Territorial affairs in general, was transferred from the Department of State to the Department of the Interior. Other areas later placed under the jurisdiction of the Interior Department included Oklahoma Territory in 1890 and Indian Territory in 1893. In addition to exercising general supervisory control, the Secretary of the Interior has had some specific responsibilities concerning Territories. These include the construction of penitentiaries beginning in 1867, the provision of law libraries for certain Territories in 1870 and 1871, and the inspection of coal mines from 1891 to 1911 (thereafter delegated to the Bureau of Mines). Some records concerning the Territories of Arizona, New Mexico, and Oklahoma, were eventually inherited by the Office of Territories.

48.16 The Federal Government's involvement with land-grant railroads from 1862 to 1904 is reflected in the records of the Secretary. Before 1862, railroads had been constructed with Federal grants administered by the States. With the passage of the first Pacific Railroad Act in 1862, the Federal Government began granting land directly to the railroad companies. The act also incorporated the Union Pacific Railroad Company, whose members included five commissioners appointed by the Secretary of the Interior. The Union Pacific Railroad Company and its railroads initially were to submit annual reports to the Secretary of the Treasury. An act of June 25, 1868, provided that the reports be filed with the Secretary of the Interior instead. The Office of Auditor of Railroad Accounts was established in the Department of the Interior in 1878 to examine the accounts of federally aided railroad companies and to see that the laws concerning these companies were enforced. In 1881 the position of Auditor was redesignated Commissioner of Railroads. Most of the financial obligations of the railroads to the Government had been eliminated by 1904, and the Office of the Commissioner of Railroads was abolished in that year.

48.17 The Geological Survey was established in 1879 to classify public lands, to examine the geological structure and determine the mineral resources of the national domain, and to issue maps and publications embodying the results of this work. The new agency succeeded four earlier surveys. Two of these, the Geological and Geographical Survey of the Territories (Hayden Survey), 1867-79, and the Geographical and Geological Survey of the Rocky Mountain Region (Powell Survey), 1874-79, had been conducted under the supervision of the Secretary of the Interior; the other two had been conducted by the War Department. The Geological Survey has remained in the Interior Department. It was redesignated the United States Geological Survey in 1992.

48.18 As early as 1888, the Geological Survey made investigations of the practicality of irrigating arid regions in the West. In 1902 Congress authorized the Secretary of the Interior to locate and construct irrigation works in the Western States and Territories. To carry out his reclamation duties, the Secretary created the U.S. Reclamation Service and

placed it under the jurisdiction of the Director of the Geological Survey but separated from the actual Survey. In 1907 the Secretary removed it from the Geological Survey's jurisdiction, and in 1923 it was renamed the Bureau of Reclamation. This Bureau has remained in the Department of the Interior.

48.19 The Bureau of Labor was established in the Department of the Interior in 1884 to gather information concerning labor employment in the United States. In 1888 it was replaced by an independent Department of Labor without Cabinet status.

48.20 The Bureau of Mines was established in 1910 to investigate methods of mining, prevention of accidents, improvement of working conditions, and other matters. In 1925 the Bureau was transferred to the Department of Commerce, but it returned to the Department of the Interior in 1934. Redesignated the United States Bureau of Mines in 1992, it was abolished in 1996.

48.21 From time to time special commissions reported or in some way were responsible to the Secretary of the Interior. Among the more significant were the Mexican Boundary Commission, 1850-57; Commissioners to Settle California Land Claims, 1851-56; Texas Boundary Commission, 1858-60; California Boundary Commission, 1860-61; San Juan Island Commission, 1874-75; Hot Springs Commission, 1877-79; Entomological (or Rocky Mountain Locusts) Commission, 1877-81; and Utah Commission, 1882-96 (established to supervise elections in Utah and particularly to prevent persons who practiced polygamy from voting or holding office). Also numerous ad hoc commissions negotiated with the Indian tribes. Most commissions reported to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, but some, particularly the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, had direct contact with the Indian and Indian Territory Divisions within the Office of the Secretary. The Secretary or other representatives of the Department also served as members of Presidential and interagency committees, commissions, boards, and other groups such as the Committee on Departmental Methods (Keep Commission), 1905-9.

48.22 The annual reports and other publications prepared by the Secretary and the Department are part of Record Group 287, Publications of the U.S. Government. Separate record groups exist for records of most of the Bureaus and some other units of the Department of the Interior, including Records of the Office of Education (RG 12); Records of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (RG 22); Records of the Bureau of Land Management (RG 49), which includes the records of the former General Land Office; Records of the U.S. Geological Survey (RG 57); Records of the U.S. Bureau of Mines (RG 70); Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (RG 75); Records of the National Park Service (RG 79); Records of the Bureau of Reclamation (RG 115); Records of the Office of Territories (RG 126); and Records of the Commissioner of Railroads (RG 193). Records of the Pension Office are part of Record Group 15, Records of the Veterans Administration; those of the Census Office in Record Group 29, Records of the Office of the Census; those of the Patent Office in Record 241, Records of the Patent and Trademark Office; and those of the Bureau of Labor in Record Group 257, Records of the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

48.23 Records concerning additional functions transferred from the Department of the Interior to other Departments are in Records of the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture (RG 16); General Records of the Department of Commerce (RG 40); General Records of the Department of Justice (RG 60); Records of the Office of the Chief of Engineers (RG 77); Records of the Forest Service (RG 95); and Records of the Soil Conservation Service (RG 114). Records concerning functions transferred from other agencies to the Department of the Interior in 1849 are in General Records of the Department of the Treasury (RG 56); General Records of the Department of State (RG 59); and Records of the Office of the Secretary of War (RG 107).

48.24 Records relating to legislation concerning the Department of the Interior are in Record Group 46, Records of the U.S. Senate, and Record Group 233, Records of the U.S. House of Representatives. Fiscal records concerning the Department are in Record Group 39, Records of the Bureau of Accounts (Treasury Department), and Record Group 217, Records of the Accounting Officers of the Department of the Treasury. The miscellaneous records in Record Group 109, War Department Collection of Confederate Records, include two press copy volumes of semi-official letters sent by Secretary of Interior Jacob Thompson, 1857-60, concerning the political situation in the United States and appointments in the Interior Department. Among the donated historical materials in the National Archives are the Ethan Allen Hitchcock Papers, 1835-1907, chiefly correspondence and newspaper clippings documenting Hitchcock's service as Secretary of the Interior, 1898-1907, his earlier

business and political activities, and the history of the Department of the Interior.

48.25 This chapter discusses the pre-1913 records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior that are held by the National Archives and some National Archives regional archives. The chapter is divided into three main sections: the first section, the bulk of the chapter, is a lengthy discussion of the pre-1907 records of the divisions mentioned above, the Office of Explorations and Surveys (transferred from the War Department), and the Office of the Assistant Attorney General; the second, concerning the post-1907 records, is a shorter discussion of the relevant pre-1913 portions of the central classified correspondence file, 1907-53, and pertinent office, divisional, and committee files; and the third is a brief review of general cartographic and photographic records images that span both time periods covered by the textual files. Those textual and non-textual records of the Office that were in the National Archives on September 30, 1980, are described in detail in the *Inventory of the Records of the Department of the Interior* (Inv. 13), compiled by Edward E. Hill and Renee Jaussaud and issued in 1987. Also available is Special List No. 18, *Index to Appropriation Ledgers in the Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior Division of Finance, 1853-1923* (1963), compiled by Catherine M. Rowland, which identifies the various accounts covered by ledgers. Descriptions of pertinent records that have been accessioned since 1980, primarily those held by some regional archives, are also provided in this chapter.

48.26 Editorial Note: Many records included in Record Group 48 originated after 1912, and they are not described here. Unless otherwise noted, series consisting of records that originated prior to 1913 but extending beyond that date are described in their entirety; no attempt has been made to determine what part of such series relates to the pre-1913 period. Descriptions of many relatively routine or peripheral series of records are shortened in favor of the inclusion of subject lists for many series of records dealing directly with western-related topics. Most frequently affected by this decision are descriptions of the many sets of registers maintained for various series of letters received, since the informational elements contained in these records vary little from one series to another. Common to most registers are some or all of the following: date of letter, file numbers when appropriate, date of receipt, name and address (or position) of writer, subject, and indications of action taken. Descriptions of registers and other series judged to be of peripheral value are limited to titles, dates, and arrangement statements. More complete descriptions of these records are available in the Hill and Jaussaud inventory. Although some maps and photographs are interfiled with the textual records, the Department of the Interior accumulated separate collections of cartographic and photographic records, which the National Archives maintains apart from the textual records. Those cartographic records that can be attributed to specific administrative units, however, are described with related textual records. With one exception (48.226), the separately maintained photographic records, which are more general in character, are described along with general cartographic records in the final section of this chapter and are identified by alphabetic collection designators, shown in parentheses, instead of by series titles.

PRE-1907 RECORDS

DIVISIONAL RECORDS

Records of the Appointments Division

48.27 This Division administered business relating to appointments made by the President and by the Secretary of the Interior; it was not concerned with employees appointed at the bureau level (chiefly the lesser field positions). The Division handled appointments, promotions, reductions, transfers, removals, resignations, and other changes in status as well as matters relating to charges against employees, claims of debt against employees, oaths of office, official bonds, leaves of absence, time reports, establishment and location of field offices, and preparation of orders and circulars and registers of departmental employees. In 1907 most recordkeeping activities of the Division were transferred to the Mails and Files Division. By 1909 much of the personnel work had been assigned to the bureaus, and the Appointments Division was a section in the Office of the Chief Clerk. Records of the Division are described in four sections: incoming communications; outgoing communications, consisting of copies of letters sent, nominations, commissions, and other forms of personnel action; internally kept records, consisting of lists, registers, memorandums, reports, statements, and other records kept chiefly for reference purposes; and procedural issuances, chiefly orders and circulars.

48.28 The records of the Appointments Division that are of greatest interest to most researchers are the appointment papers, which constitute the bulk of the incoming communications. These letters and accompanying documents relate to both successful and unsuccessful applicants for positions in the central office and in the field. The papers often contain personal information about the candidates, the circumstances of their appointment if successful, and occasionally information concerning their dismissal. Names and some data for the persons who applied or were nominated for jobs can be found in the registers and indexes described below (48.39-48.43), but researchers who know the name of an individual and the title and location of the position applied for can usually go directly to the records involved.

48.29 Central office appointment papers, 1849-1907 (45 ft.), are arranged by office or bureau, thereunder by position, and thereunder for the most part alphabetically by surname of applicant or incumbent. Other files consisting of applications for unspecified positions at undesignated locations are arranged alphabetically by surname of applicant. Also included are abstracts of information concerning several applicants to fill a vacancy ("data files") and records concerning the office rather than the applicant or incumbent ("miscellaneous files"). Usually the records for one applicant for one position have been consolidated into one file or bundle. Sometimes cross-references are provided to show that an individual has applied for several different positions.

48.30 Composed primarily of letters of application and recommendation, the records also include some copies of letters sent, petitions, briefs, reports, oaths of office, applications for leaves of absence, testimony and exhibits, letters of resignation, and related documents. Many of the files are for positions filled by Presidential appointment. These positions include First Assistant Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Interior (with a few records concerning the Secretary), commissioners (the Commissioner of the General Land Office and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, for example), directors (such as the Government Director of the Union Pacific Railroad Company), superintendents (of Hot Springs Reservation and Yellowstone National Park, for example), and other heads of offices and bureaus and their deputies and principal assistants. Also included are files for those field officials not assigned to specific locations, such as Indian inspectors, special Indian agents, and allotting agents (specifically assigned field position files are discussed in 48.31 below). Other files concern members of boards (the Board of Indian Commissioners, for example) and permanent and temporary commissions. Also found are a substantial number of files related to positions filled by appointment of the Secretary or his representative. Included are files for such departmental appointees as clerks, surveyors, auditors, watchmen, copyists, examiners, appraisers, laborers, and others. Most of the appointment papers for these lower level positions are among the records described in 48.36. Included also are records pertaining to incumbents concerning removals, resignations, leaves of absence, assignments, charges, bonds, and other subjects.

48.31 Most of the **field office appointment papers, 1849-1907** (347 ft.), are arranged alphabetically by State or Territory, thereunder by position (and when appropriate, alphabetically by name or location of land office, Indian agency, or pension agency), and thereunder alphabetically by surname of applicant or incumbent. "Data" files, consisting of abstracts of information concerning several applicants for a given position, and "miscellaneous" files containing information regarding a particular position are generally found just before the "applicants" files for that position. Other files consisting primarily of applications for a specific position at an unspecified location are arranged by position and thereunder alphabetically by surname of applicant.

48.32 Included are letters received and some copies of letters sent, memorandums, petitions, reports, affidavits, briefs, testimony and exhibits, notices of dates of succession, oaths of office, bonds, applications for leaves of absence, resignations, and related records. Many of the letters are applications and recommendations for appointment to positions normally filled by Presidential appointment. These positions include Territorial governors, Territorial secretaries, surveyors general, registers and receivers of land offices, superintendents of Indian affairs, Indian agents, pension agents, census supervisors, townsite trustees, and mineral land commissioners. Also included is information concerning temporary appointments, investigations, charges, and removals concerning incumbents. In most instances the files of incumbents still employed in 1907 were removed and are now found in the National Personnel Records Center in St. Louis, MO. Usually a cross-reference was left to indicate this action. A few items found in

the files predate 1849; also found are some endorsement notations and a few items which are dated after 1907.

48.33 Given below for each of the pertinent States or Territories is a fairly complete list of offices for which appointment papers exist in varying quantities. Positions common to nearly all States and Territories are registers and receivers for established or proposed land offices of the General Land Office (GLO) and agents for established or proposed Indian agencies of the Office of Indian Affairs (OIA). Also fairly common are appraisers of property (buildings and/or land) for abandoned military reservations (AMRs) or other Federal reserves. Papers for some States and Territories have been reproduced as National Archives microfilm publications, and the appropriate publication number is shown in each instance. Frequently, however, additional papers were located after filming was completed. Most of these materials concern applicants for GLO and OIA positions, and they are mentioned below only if they are particularly significant or if they relate to land offices or Indian agencies not represented in the publication. Other unfilmed materials relating to positions not covered by the publications are listed here.

1. **ARIZONA**: (Filmed, M576, 22 rolls)
   - Governor
   - Secretary
   - Surveyor General
   - GLO Registers and Receivers for Florence, Phoenix, and Tucson land offices
   - OIA officials: Superintendent; Agents for Camp Apache, Camp Grant, Camp Verde, Chiricahua, Colorado River, Fort Apache, Moqui Pueblo, Papago, Pima, and San Carlos agencies
   - Supervisor of the Census

   Unfilmed:
   - Appraisers: AMRs Camp Crittenden, Camp Grant, Camp Verde, Fort Goodwin, Fort Lowell, Fort McDowell, and Whipple Barracks
   - Commissioners: to negotiate with the Navajo Indians, 1891-92, and to settle Arizona war claims, 1881
   - Irrigation engineer at the Pima and Maricopa Indian reservation, 1880
   - Superintendent, Truxton Canyon Indian Training School (Henry P. Ewing), 1900

2. **ARKANSAS**: (Unfilmed)
   - Surveyor General
   - GLO Registers and Receivers for Batesville, Camden, Champagnolle, Clarksville, Dardanelle, Fayetteville, Fort Scott, Fort Smith, Harrison, Helena, Huntsville, Little Rock, and Washington land offices
   - Pension Agent for Fort Smith and Little Rock
   - Supervisor of the Census
   - Appraiser of unsold lots, Hot Springs

3. **CALIFORNIA**: (Filmed, M732, 29 rolls)
   - Surveyor General
   - GLO Registers and Receivers for Benicia, Bodie, Eureka, Humboldt, Independence, Los Angeles, Marysville, Redding, Sacramento, San Francisco, Shasta, Stockton, Susanville, and Visalia land offices
   - OIA officials: Superintendent; Agents for Northern District, Southern District, Fresno, Hoopa Valley, Klamath, Mendocino, Mission, Nome Lackee, Round Valley, Smith River, Tejon (Sebastian), and Tule River agencies, and early Indian Agents
   - Pension Agent for San Francisco
   - Supervisor of the Census

   Unfilmed:
   - Pension Agent for Los Angeles
   - Commissioner: to run boundary line between California and Territories
   - Commissions, members of: to adjust land titles, 1850-51; to appraise the Klamath River Indian Reservation, 1884-85; to fix limits and control Indian reservations, 1890; to select and appraise lands in Round Valley Indian Reservation, 1890; to provide relief for the Mission Indians, 1890-91; to visit the Round Valley Reservation, 1891-92; to negotiate with the Yuma Indians, 1893; to appraise improvements in the Sequoia and Yosemite reservations, 1893; and to examine the condition of the Digger Indians, 1893 and 1896
   - Customs officials for San Francisco and San Pedro
   - District Judge, 1851

Marshal, 1849, 1853
Mineral Agent, 1896
Special Indian Agent (Frank D. Lewis), 1889-91
Superintendent of gold mines, 1850-51
Timber Agent, 1877-78

4. **COLORADO**: (Filmed, M808, 13 rolls)
Governor
Secretary
Surveyor General
GLO Registers and Receivers for Akron, Central City, Del Norte, Denver, Durango, Fairplay, Glenwood Springs, Gunnison, Hugo, Lake City, Larmar, Leadville, Montrose, Pueblo, and Sterling land offices
OIA Indian Agents for Los Pinos, Middle Park-White River, Southern Ute, and Upper Arkansas agencies
Supervisor of the Census
Pension Agent

Unfilmed:
GLO Registers and Receivers for Arlington, Bear River Valley, Georgetown, Grand Junction, Manitou Springs, and Trinidad land offices
OIA Agents for Denver Special Agency, Shoshone, and Uintah-Grand River agencies
Appraisers: of lots at Pagosa Springs and Fort Lewis, 1883, 1888; AMR Fort Crawford
Commissioners: to negotiate with Southern Utes, 1895; and members of the Ute Commission, 1879
Supervisor of Manitou Springs forest reserve, 1891

5. **DAKOTA**: (Unfilmed)
Governor
Secretary
Surveyor General
GLO Registers and Receivers for Aberdeen, Bismarck, Chamberlain, Deadwood, Devils Lake, Fargo, Grand Forks, Huron, Minot, Mitchell, Pembina, Pierre, Sioux Falls, Springfield, Vermillion, Watertown, Williston, and Yankton land offices
OIA officials: Superintendent; Agents for Cheyenne River, Crow Creek and Lower Brule, Devils Lake, Flandreau, Forest City, Fort Berthold, Grand River (Standing Rock), Lower Brule, Pine Ridge (Red Cloud), Ponca, Red Cloud, Rosebud, Sisseton, Spotted Tail, Standing Rock, Upper Missouri, Upper Platte, Whetstone, White River, and Yankton agencies
Supervisor of the Census
Appraisers: AMRs Fort Lincoln and Fort Stevenson, Fort Pembina, Fort Randall, and Fort Sully
Commissioner: to appraise lands at Fort Rice, 1892
Commissions, members of: to negotiate with various Sioux groups, 1868, 1888-91; to run the boundary line between the Pine Ridge and Rosebud Indian Reservations, 1889; to negotiate with the Turtle Mountain Chippewa, 1890-92; to handle claims of settlers on the Crow Creek Indian Reservation, 1890-94; and to conduct drawing for lands on the Rosebud Reservation, 1904
Special Agent to take census of the Sioux, 1889
Superintendent of Construction, Dakota Penitentiary, 1889
Timber Agent, 1878

6. **IDAHO**: (Filmed, M693, 17 rolls)
Governor
Secretary
Surveyor General
GLO Registers and Receivers for Blackfoot, Boise, Coeur d'Alene, Hailey, Lewiston, and Oxford land offices
OIA officials: Superintendents; Agents for Fort Hall, Lemhi, and Nez Perce agencies
Supervisor of the Census

Unfilmed:
Supervisor of the Census, 1864, 1880
Appraisers: town lots and blocks in Pocatello, 1888-96; town lots in Heyburn, Rupert, and Scherer, 1906
Commissioners: to negotiate with the Shoshone and Bannock, the Coeur d'Alene, and the Nez Perce

Mineral Land Commissioner
OIA Officials: Lemhi data file, papers regarding alleged frauds at the agency, 1877
Special agent to move the Spokane Indians to the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation, 1895
Superintendent of Irrigation, Fort Hall Indian Reservation, 1895

7. **IOWA**: (Unfilmed)
Surveyor General (see Nebraska also)
GLO Registers and Receivers for Chariton, Council Bluffs, Dubuque, Fairfield, Fort Des Moines, Fort Dodge, Iowa City, Kanesville, Osage, and Sioux City land offices
OIA Agents for Council Bluffs and Sac and Fox agencies
Pension Agents for Dubuque, Fairfield, and Fort Des Moines
Commissioners: to appraise and sell town lots, Peru, 1885, and to adjust settlers' claims in the Des Moines River land grant, 1894

8. **KANSAS**: (Unfilmed)
Surveyor General (see Nebraska also)
GLO Registers and Receivers for Cawker City, Colby, Concordia, Delaware District, Dodge City, Fort Scott, Garden City, Hays City, Humboldt, Independence, Kickapoo, Kirwin, Larned, Lecompton, Neodesha, Northwest District, Oberlin, Ogden, Salina, Southwest District, Topeka, Wakeeney, and Wichita land offices
OIA officials: Superintendent; Agents for Delaware, Fort Leavenworth, Great Nemaha (pre-1858), Kaw, Kickapoo, Miami, Neosho, Osage, Osage River, Pawnee, Potawatomi and Great Nemaha, Sac and Fox, Shawnee, Wichita, and Wyandot agencies
Pension Agent for Topeka
Supervisor of the Census
Appraisers: AMRs Fort Dodge, Fort Hays, Fort Larned, Fort Wallace; Indian reserves of the Absentee Shawnee, Delaware, Kickapoo, Osage, Oto, and Potawatomi
Commissioners: to visit the Wyandot Indians, 1853, 1870, the Osage, 1870, and the Chippewa and Christian Indians, 1897
Special Agent to negotiate with the Prairie Band of Potawatomi Indians and the Kickapoo, 1889
Special Agent to purchase land for the Absentee Wyandot Indians
Superintendent for Indian Industrial School (Haskell Institute), Lawrence, KS, 1883-89

9. **LOUISIANA**: (Unfilmed)
Surveyor General
GLO Registers and Receivers for Greensburg (St. Helena), Monroe (Ouachita), Natchitoches, New Orleans, Opelousas, and Red River land offices
Pension Agent for New Albany and New Orleans
Supervisor of the Census
Timber Agent, 1853

10. **MINNESOTA:** (Largely unfilmed; selected papers are reproduced on Rolls 10-11 of M1050, *The Territorial Papers of the United States: Minnesota, 1849-1858.*)
Secretary
Surveyor General
GLO Registers and Receivers for Alexandria, Benson, Buchanan, Cambridge, Cass Lake, Chatfield, Crookston, Detroit, Duluth, Faribault, Fergus Falls, Forest City, Greenleaf, Henderson, Jackson, Litchfield, Marshall, Minneapolis, New Ulm, Otter Tail City, Portland, Red Wing, Redwood Falls, St. Anthony Falls, St. Cloud, Taylor's Falls, Tracy, Winnebago City, Winona, and Worthington land offices
OIA officials: Superintendent; Agents for Chippewa, Crow Wing, Leech Lake, Red Lake, St. Peters, Sioux, White Earth, and Winnebago agencies
Pension Agent
Supervisor of the Census
Appraiser: AMR Fort Ripley
Commissioners: to assess damage done by the Sioux, 1863; and members of various Commissions to the Chippewa, 1888-92

11. **MISSOURI**: (Filmed, M1058, 9 rolls)
GLO Registers and Receivers for Boonville, Clinton, Fayette, Ironton, Jackson, Milan, Palmyra, Plattsburg, St. Louis, Springfield, and Warsaw land offices
OIA Superintendent
Pension Agents for Macon, St. Joseph, and St. Louis
Supervisor of the Census

Unfilmed:
Surveyor General
Pension Agent for Macon (City)
Appraiser: of an island in the Missouri River, 1895
Commissioners: to examine claims for enlisted slaves in Missouri, 1866

12. **MONTANA**: (Unfilmed)
Governor
Secretary
Surveyor General
GLO Registers and Receivers for Billings, Bozeman, Glasgow, Great Falls, Helena, Kalispell, Lewistown, Miles City, and Missoula land offices
OIA officials: Superintendent; Agents for Blackfeet, Crow, Flathead, Fort Belknap, Fort Peck, Milk River, and Tongue River agencies
Supervisor of the Census
Appraisers: AMRs Fort Ellis and Fort Maginnis; Bitter Root Valley lands under Act of March 2, 1889
Commissioners: to negotiate with the Crow, Flathead, Northern Cheyenne, Blackfeet, and Fort Belknap Indians; to supervise the drawing of lots for Crow lands, 1906
Engineers to survey the boundary of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, 1896
Mineral Land Commissioners
Special Agent to allot Crow Indian Reservation, 1886
Superintendent of Irrigation, Crow Indian Reservation, 1891

13. **NEBRASKA**: (Unfilmed)
Surveyor General (see also Iowa, Kansas)
GLO Registers and Receivers for Alliance, Beatrice, Bloomington, Boonville, Broken Bow, Brownsville, Chadron, Columbus, Dakota City, Grand Island, Lincoln, McCook, Nebraska City, Neligh, Niobrara, Norfolk, North Platte, Omaha, O'Neill, Sidney, South Platte, Valentine, and West Point land offices
OIA Indian agents for Council Bluffs, Great Nemaha (post-1858), Omaha and Winnebago, Oto, Pawnee, Ponca, Red Cloud, and Santee agencies
Pension Agent for Nebraska Territory and Omaha
Supervisor of the Census
Appraisers: AMRs Camp Sheridan, Fort Hartsuff, Fort McPherson, Fort Randall, and Fort Sidney
Special Agent for Omaha annuity, 1888-90
Superintendent of the Indian Industrial School at Genoa, 1885

14. **NEVADA**: (Filmed, M1033, 3 rolls)
Surveyor General
GLO Registers and Receivers for Aurora, Austin, Belmont, Carson City, Elko, Eureka, and Pioche land offices
OIA Agents for Nevada, Pyramid Lake, Southeast Piute, Walker, and Western Shoshone agencies

Unfilmed:
OIA Superintendent
Supervisor of the Census
Appraisers: AMR Fort McDermit; Indian lands, Pyramid Lake
Commissioners: to negotiate with Indians, Pyramid Lake Commission, 1891

15. **NEW MEXICO**: (Filmed, M750, 18 rolls)
Governor
Secretary
Surveyor General
GLO Registers and Receivers for Clayton, Folsom, Las Cruces (La Mesilla), Roswell, and Santa Fe land offices
OIA officials: Superintendent; Agents for Abiquiu, Cimarron, Mescalero, Navajo, Pueblo, and Southern Apache agencies
Mine Inspector
Supervisor of the Census
Miscellaneous Offices: Pension Agent for Santa Fe; extensive file of recommenda-

tions for the appointment of Miguel A. Otero as U.S. Marshal of New Mexico Territory

Unfilmed:
These materials include some significant documents.

Secretary: A considerable quantity of material from 1873 relates to charges brought against William F.M. Arny, Secretary of the Territory. Arny was recommended for several positions in the Territory; other documents concerning him are found in the filmed materials under the following headings: Surveyor General, the Santa Fe Land Office, and the Navajo, Pueblo, and "Unspecified" Indian agencies.

OIA officials: Superintendent - Among papers from 1869 recommending George R. Maxwell as Superintendent of Indian Affairs in New Mexico are letters of endorsement from various military men he served with in the Civil War, including Gen. Phil H. Sheridan and Gen. George A. Custer. Agents - A letter of May 17, 1864, from Gov. Henry Connelly recommends Col. Christopher Carson, "one of our most respectable citizens" and a "great pioneer," for the position of Indian agent for the Navajo Indians at Bosque Redondo. Documents concerning Carson are also found in the filmed records under "Unspecified Indian Agencies."

Appraisers: AMRs Fort Craig, Fort Cummings, Fort Seldon, and Fort Stanton

Attorney for the Pueblo Indians

Superintendent of Indian School at Santa Fe

Superintendent of Irrigation, Navajo Indian Reservation

16. OKLAHOMA and INDIAN TERRITORIES: (Unfilmed)

Governor

Secretary

GLO Registers and Receivers for Alva, Beaver, Buffalo, El Reno, Enid, Guthrie, Kingfisher, Lawton, Mangum, New (Cherokee Strip), Oklahoma City, Perry, and Woodward land offices

OIA Agents for Cherokee; Cheyenne and Arapaho; Chickasaw and Choctaw; Creek; Kiowa, Comanche, and Wichita; Neosho; Osage; Quapaw; Sac and Fox; and Union agencies

Pension Agent

Supervisor of the Census

Mine Inspectors

Appraisers: Indian lands, Choctaw and Chickasaw, 1899-1903, Cherokee Strip, 1893, Cherokee, 1893, Creek, 1904; railroad rights-of-way through Indian Territory, 1886-95; and AMR Fort Supply and Council Grove

Allotment officials: Agents for the Choctaw, Kiowa, Wichita; and Surveyors

Commissioners: to negotiate with tribes in Indian Territory, 1889; to negotiate with the Cherokee and other tribes, 1889-90; to establish counties in the Cherokee Strip, 1893; to negotiate with the Five Civilized Tribes, 1893-1906; to investigate the Osage annuity roll and the question of Osage citizenship, 1895-96; to negotiate for sale of coal and asphalt lands, Choctaw and Chickasaw nations, 1902-4

Commissions, members of: the Oklahoma Commission, 1885; the Commission established under the Oklahoma Bill, 1889; the Cherokee Indian Commission, 1893; the Indian Territory Commission, 1896; and the Cherokee Freedmen Commission, 1896

Committee to determine recipients of award to the "Old Settlers," 1893

District Inspector: Chickasaw tribal cattle tax, 1902-3

Referees to determine damage done by the construction of railroads, 1900-1904

Revenue Inspectors, 1899-1903

Special Agent to make per capita payment to the Delaware Indians, 1895

Superintendent, grounds at Sulphur Springs Reservation, Chickasaw Nation, 1903

Superintendent, Chilocco Indian Industrial School, 1884-88

Supervisors of Schools, 1894-1906, including those for Cherokee, Choctaw, Chickasaw, and Creek tribes

Townsite officials: Commissioners, Surveyors, Transitmen, and Trustees

17. **OREGON**: (Filmed, M814, 10 rolls. See also roll 7, M1049, *The Territorial Papers of the United States: Oregon, 1848-1859.*)
Surveyor General
GLO Registers and Receivers for Burns, Drewsey, La Grande, Lakeview, Oregon City, Roseburg, and The Dalles land offices
OIA officials: Superintendent; Agents for Alsea, Grand Ronde, Klamath, Malheur, Siletz, Umatilla, and Warm Springs agencies
Pension Agent
Supervisor of the Census

Unfilmed:
Included is a significant quantity of records concerning applicants for GLO Register or Receiver positions at the Drewsey land office. Other positions covered are listed below:
Appraiser: AMR Fort Dalles
Commissioners: to appraise and allot lands on the Umatilla Indian Reservation, 1882-89; to complete selection of a diminished reservation for the Cayuse, Walla Walla, and Umatilla Indians, 1887-88; to negotiate with the Indians on the Siletz Reservation, 1888-92; to determine the northern boundary of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation, 1890; to investigate the status of affairs at the Puyallup Indian Reservation, 1890; to determine the cost of a right-of-way through the Umatilla Reservation for the Blue Mountain Irrigation and Improvement Co., 1893; to determine the correct location of the boundary lines of the Klamath Indian Reservation, 1896
Supervisor for the Forest Grove (Salem) Indian Industrial School, 1882-85

18. **TEXAS**: (Unfilmed)
GLO Registers and Receivers
OIA Agents (includes some letters, 1853-58, concerning Robert Neighbors, agent and superintendent)
Pension Agent: James M. Thornton, 1879
Supervisor of the Census
Collector of Customs, El Paso, consisting of endorsements for G.B. Stevenson

19. **UTAH**: (Unfilmed)
Governor
Secretary
Surveyor General
GLO Register and Receivers for Beaver City and Salt Lake City land offices
OIA officials: Superintendent; Agents for Carson Valley, Fort Bridger, Ouray, Salt Lake City, Uintah, and Uintah and Ouray agencies
Supervisor of the Census
Appraisers: AMRs Camp Crittenden, Fort Cameron, Rush Lake
Commissioners: to appraise lands of the Spanish Fork Indian Reservation, 1866
Commissions, members of: the Utah Commission, 1882-96, and the Uncompaghre Commission, 1894-96
Members, Utah Board of Registration, 1882
Mine Inspectors
Receivers, Mormon Church property, 1890
Special Agents: for the Kaibab Indians, 1901; for the Shebit Indians, 1891, 1896

20. **WASHINGTON**: (Unfilmed)
Governor
Secretary
Surveyor General
GLO Registers and Receivers for Colfax, Columbia River District, North Yakima, Olympia, Seattle, Spokane Falls, Vancouver, Walla Walla, Waterville, and Yakima land offices
OIA officials: Superintendent; Agents for Colville; Neah Bay; Nisqually; Nisqually and Skokomish; Nisqually, Skokomish, and Tulalip; Puyallup; Quinaielt; Skokomish; Tulalip; and Yakima agencies
Pension Agent
Supervisor of the Census
Appraiser: townsite lots in Port Angeles
Commissioners: to investigate and report on affairs at the Puyallup Indian Reservation, 1890; to select and appraise certain land on the Puyallup Reservation, 1893
Supervisor of Indian Schools: James Anderson, 1897

21. **WYOMING**: (Filmed, M830, 6 rolls)
Governor
Secretary

Surveyor General
GLO Registers and Receivers for Buffalo, Cheyenne, Douglas, Evanston, Lander, and Sundance land offices
OIA Agents for Shoshone Indian Agency
Supervisor of the Census

Unfilmed:
Appraisers: AMRs Fort Bridger, 1889, and Fort Fred Steele, 1891
Commissioners: to re-appraise buildings at AMR Fort Fred Steele, 1892; and members of Commission to negotiate with Indians on the Shoshone (Wind River) Reservation, 1891-92
Committee members: to supervise drawing of lands on the Wind River Reservation, 1906

The registers and indexes to these applications are discussed below (48.39-48.43). Also described below are related letters sent (48.49) and separate volumes for nominations, commissions, and other personnel actions relating to field office appointees (48.52). For information about post-1907 applications for Presidential appointments and appointees, see File Nos. 22 and 24 of the central classified files (48.235). It should be noted that each of the Interior Department microfilm publications cited above includes a name index to the appointment papers reproduced in the publication. Arranged alphabetically by name of applicant or incumbent, the index entries identify the offices or positions under which the records for each applicant are filed and the number of the roll of microfilm on which the records are reproduced.

48.34 Some documentation of charges made against Interior Department employees is found in the appointment files discussed above (48.29-48.33), but the **charges and protests files, 1849-1907** (29 ft.), which are arranged alphabetically by surname of employee or prospective appointee, contain the bulk of the letters received, reports, petitions, testimony, affidavits, newspaper clippings, and related records concerning charges against departmental employees in Washington, DC, and in the field who were Presidential appointees. Many of the charges were political in nature, relating to party affiliation, especially after a change in Presidential administration, or lack of zeal in engaging in partisan political activities; others, however, concern malfeasance, incompetence, and immorality. Most protests were lodged against prospective appointees, but a few were made against employees. The files also include letters refuting allegations. Most of the files were compiled after 1878; for files dated 1885 and later, access is facilitated by **indexes to charges and protests concerning Presidential appointment offices, 1885-1905** (4 vols., 2 in.). The entries, which are arranged in alphabetical sections in each volume, index the names of applicants against whom protests were filed and the names of those offices against whose incumbents charges were made. The volumes cover both Cleveland administrations, 1885-89 and 1893-97, the Harrison administration, 1889-93, the McKinley administration, 1897-1901, and the first Roosevelt administration, 1901-1905. The indexes for the Cleveland administrations are incomplete.

48.35 Forms were used to notify the President of Senate approval of nominees for positions in the Interior Department. Usually these **notices of confirmation by the Senate, 1861-1907** (4 ft.), include the name of the confirmed nominee and the title of the position, but some notices list several nominees. The forms are arranged by Congress, 37th to 58th, and thereunder chronologically. A few items for 1869 to 1872 are out of order.

48.36 Papers relating to positions filled by appointment of the Secretary of the Interior or his representative make up the series of **departmental application and appointment papers, 1878-1906** (156 ft.). These files consist of letters received and some copies of letters sent, reports, memorandums, petitions, lists, applications and other forms, Civil Service Commission certifications, oaths of office, inquiry cards, and other records concerning applications, appointments, resignations, dismissals, deaths, transfers, promotions, reductions, charges, and other subjects. The papers are arranged by year and thereunder by file number assigned for the most part in order of receipt of the earliest document concerning one person or type of personnel action. The file numbers are identified in the control documents discussed below.

48.37 Three series of records were compiled to provide name and file access to the departmental appointment papers. An **index, 1879-1907** (63 ft.), compiled on 2- by 5-inch cards arranged alphabetically by name, identifies persons for whom papers are available as well as persons whose records were transferred to the new file system begun in 1907. The index entries give name and file numbers. Also

maintained for several years were **registers of departmental appointment papers, 1879-85** (7 vols., 1 ft.), containing entries arranged by year and thereunder by file number assigned in order of receipt of the earliest document. The entries variously include the file number, name of applicant or employee, residence, date of application or other document, date of receipt, position of action sought or recommended, names of persons recommending the applicant or appointment, notations of later documents added to the file, and other information. **Lists of applicants for departmental appointments, 1879-1907** (2 vols., 2 in.), give the name of the applicant and the appropriate file reference. The entries in each volume are arranged by position.

48.38 Before 1879, incoming communications were kept rather haphazardly as evidenced by the somewhat spotty chronological coverage afforded by the various series of registers maintained as control documents. Most of the pre-1879 records that have been preserved relate to positions filled by Presidential appointment. In 1879 the Division began to assign file numbers in order of receipt to three classes of incoming communications: Presidential appointment papers, now found primarily in records described in 48.29-48.33; departmental appointment papers (48.36); and miscellaneous letters received (48.44). Only the latter two series are still arranged by file number.

48.39 Registers covering incoming letters for the pre-1879 period are the following:

1. **Register of Miscellaneous, Semi-official Letters Received, May-Aug. 1849** (1 vol., 2 in.). Entries are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of surname of writer and thereunder chronologically. Most of the letters registered are applications or recommendations for positions.

2. **Registers of Letters Received, 1863-78** (2 vols., 2 in.). Entries are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of surname of writer and thereunder chronologically. These registers are for letters received in 1863, 1865, 1870-72, and 1874-78.

3. **Register of Letters Received, Oct. 1867-Sept. 1868** (1 vol., 2 in.). Entries are arranged chronologically by date of receipt.

4. **Register of Letters Received, 1871-78** (1 vol., 1 in.). This volume is divided into sections for letters received from the bureaus of the Department and a section for letters from other Government offices. The entries in each section are arranged chronologically and cover the periods 1871-72 and 1874-78.

Some of the letters covered by the registers are still among the records of the Appointments Division, and they are divided among several series of the Division's records. Preliminary registers of letters received, **"Mail Books," July 23, 1877-Dec. 31, 1878** (3 vols., 3 in.), give date and subject of letter, name of writer, and date of receipt. The entries in each volume are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of surname, official position of writer, or subject, and thereunder chronologically by date of receipt.

48.40 Entries in a **register of applications for appointment, 1849** (1 vol., 2 in.), are arranged in alphabetical sections by name of office or State in which the position was located. Information given includes the name of the applicant, the office, and the names of persons recommending the applicant. Included are entries for applications for Commissioner of Patents, Indian agents, and U.S. marshals and attorneys in certain States. Some entries are for letters requesting the removal of incumbents. The registered documents that are still among the records of the Division are divided among several series.

48.41 "Special Registers," 1857-78 (8 vols., 2 ft.), include entries for applications and recommendations for appointments, promotions, resignations, removals, leaves of absence, and other personnel actions relating to positions filled by both Presidential and departmental (Secretarial) appointment. Entries give name of applicant or incumbent, residence, office or action sought, and sometimes indications of actions or other remarks, including some dated later than 1878. The volumes cover time periods of varying length; the last two volumes, both labeled as "Vol. 7," are for Presidential and departmental appointment positions, respectively. Entries in the volumes are arranged in two-letter alphabetical sections for the most part and thereunder by the first two letters of surname of applicant or incumbent. Relevant records that are still among the holdings of the Appointments Division are divided among several series of divisional records.

48.42 Entries in the **registers of Presidential appointment papers, 1879-85** (2 vols., 5 in.), are arranged by year and thereunder by file number assigned in order of receipt. When appropriate, the entries include file number, name of applicant or employee, residence, date of application or other

documents, date of receipt, position or action desired, names of persons recommending, notations of later documents added to file, file references, and other information. The papers registered are found in several Appointments Division series.

48.43 The use of registers was discontinued in 1885 in favor of indexes. An **index to applications for Presidential appointment, Jan.-Mar. 1885** (1 vol., 1/2 in.), covers applicants whose papers were received during the period January 1 to March 9, 1885. Entries give only surname and file number, but additional information is found in the appropriate register among those described in 48.42. Entries in each volume of a set of **indexes to applications for Presidential appointment, 1885-1909** (4 vols., 6 in.), are arranged in two-letter alphabetical sections and thereunder by the first two letters of the applicant's surname. Entries give the name of the applicant and the position sought. Volumes are found for the administrations of Grover Cleveland, 1885-89 and 1893-97, Benjamin Harrison, 1889-93; and William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt, 1897-1909. Papers concerning applications for the years 1885-1907 are divided among several series of Appointments Division records. For the years 1907-9, see File No. 24 of the central classified files (48.235). Also maintained were **lists of applicants for miscellaneous positions, 1893-1909** (2 vols., 1 in.). Entries in each volume are arranged and indexed by position.

48.44 Letters from heads of bureaus, the Civil Service Commission, the President, Members of Congress, other officials, employees, attorneys, claimants, and others relating to personnel policies and procedures, charges and investigations, the establishment and location of field offices, personal claims against employees, and many other subjects are part of the **miscellaneous letters received, 1849-1907** (22 ft.). Sometimes letters were filed with an earlier related one, and sometimes several related documents were filed together. Many letters that were originally filed in this series are now found in other series of Appointments Division records. Other letters were returned to the sender or referred to another office. Most of the letters for 1907 were transferred to the records concerning personnel supervision and management (48.239). The letters received for 1849-78 are arranged in rough chronological order by date of letter. Beginning in 1879 the letters were indexed and registered, and the 1879-1907 letters are arranged by year and thereunder mostly by file number assigned in order of receipt.

48.45 The primary **index to miscellaneous letters received, 1879-1907** (29 vols., 1 ft.), with one index volume for each year, covers the writers and subjects of the letters. The entries in each volume are arranged in alphabetical sections, for the most part by surname, by position, or by subject. Through 1893, file numbers for writers were written in black ink and for subjects, in red ink. Thereafter, black ink was used for both, and most letters from Government officials were indexed only by subject. There is one index volume for each year. For a brief period, subjects not covered by this main series of indexes were listed in an alphabetical **subject index to miscellaneous letters received, 1879-80** (1 vol., 2 in.). Included are entries for persons, land offices and districts, Indian agencies, organizations, administrative actions, and other subjects. Entries in the **registers of miscellaneous letters received, 1879-1907** (7 vols., 1 ft.), are arranged chronologically by date of receipt. File numbers were assigned in order of entry and started over each year. Most of the letters were kept in register order, but many others were divided among several series within the Appointments Division. Others were returned to the sender or referred to another office.

48.46 Letters received from missionary societies, 1869-1907 (5 in.), were not incorporated into the main series of miscellaneous letters but were maintained as a separate file. Arranged alphabetically by name of sponsoring religious denominations and thereunder in rough chronological order by date of letter, these letters relate to the allocation of Indian agencies to the societies and the appointment of Indian agents. The religious denominations represented are Baptist, Roman Catholic, Congregational, Episcopal, Friends, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian, Reformed, and Unitarian.

48.47 Letters and other records concerning certain General Land Office matters were also filed separately. **Records concerning changes in U.S. land offices, 1855-57, 1889, and 1909** (5 in.), relating to the establishment, consolidation, and discontinuance of land offices, are arranged in three distinct chronological segments and thereunder by land office, not alphabetically. The 1855-57 segment consists primarily of printed notices concerning land offices in several States and Territories including California, Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska, Minnesota, Missouri, and Utah. The later records include letters received, copies of letters sent, reports, maps showing land districts, newspaper clippings, petitions, and other

records. The 1889 material concerns land offices in Kansas, Minnesota, and Nebraska. The 1909 file concerns a request to move a land office in South Dakota from Gregory to Dallas. Generally, records concerning changes in land offices are found among the holdings of the Lands and Railroads Division and in the "data files" that are part of the GLO segments of the field office appointment papers (48.31).

48.48 The Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of the General Land Office, was responsible for the disposition of abandoned military reservations. Letters received, reports, memorandums, petitions, legal opinions, plats, and other **records concerning abandoned military reservations, 1886-94** (4 in.), relate to the transfer of such reservations from the War Department to the Interior Department, the appointment and incumbency of custodians, and the survey, appraisal, and disposal of land and property in conformance with an act of Congress of July 5, 1884. Most of the records are arranged alphabetically by name of reservation (excluding the word "Fort"), thereunder chronologically. Records of the General Land Office concerning abandoned military reservations are in Record Group 49, Records of the Bureau of Land Management.

Outgoing Communications and Related Records

48.49 To this point, the majority of the records discussed have been letters received. Most of the replies to the incoming letters are in two chronologically overlapping series: handwritten copies of **letters sent, 1856-89** (33 vols., 7 ft.), and **press copies of letters sent, 1856-1907** (289 vols., 43 ft.). The addressees and subjects covered are common to both series; indeed, most of the letters until September 23, 1889, are found in both series. Letters were sent to the President, heads of bureaus, Members of Congress, the Civil Service Commission, Treasury Department officials, the departmental Disbursing Clerk, employees, applicants, and others. The letters relate to applications for positions, Presidential and departmental appointments, promotions, transfers, resignations, removals, charges and complaints, the location of field offices, and other subjects. The first 17 volumes of the handwritten copies (1856-81) are indexed by the surname of the addressee and of the persons who are the subjects of the letters. Available for the later volumes are separate **indexes to letters sent, 1881-89** (20 vols., 1 ft.), containing entries arranged in two-letter alphabetical sections. The press copies are arranged for the most part chronologically, but some sizable groups are out of order. Two numbered sequences of volumes and five unnumbered volumes make up the series.

48.50 Some of the letters received by the Appointments Division were referred to other units or agencies for action. An **index to applications for census positions, 1879-80** (1 vol., 1 in.), shows the names and State or Territory of residence of those persons whose applications were referred to the Superintendent of the Census. A **register of appointment papers referred to bureaus and other departments, 1895-1907** (1 vol., 1/2 in.), records papers received concerning appointments that were not within the jurisdiction of the Appointments Division. Entries include name of applicant or other person concerned, office to which referred, and date of referral. Entries in both the index and the register are arranged alphabetically by surname and thereunder chronologically.

48.51 Formal documentation of the various stages of the appointment process consists of several series of bound copies of form letters. The volumes for all but one of these series include indexes, but three separate 3- by 5-inch card **indexes to nominations, commissions, designations, and suspensions or removals, 1849-1922** (10 ft.), were maintained as well. One index, arranged by surname of person concerned, is comprehensive and complete; the other two, one arranged by position and the other by location of position, are incomplete.

48.52 Each index card gives the name of the person and the position involved, the location of the position, and the volume and page reference(s) for the appropriate records in the volumes listed below. Unless otherwise noted each volume includes an index. Copies of the forms and other documents contained within each volume are arranged chronologically.

1. **Executive Nominations, 1849-94** (13 vols., 3 ft.). No nominations are included for 1854-56. The volume indexes include the names of the persons to be succeeded by the nominees.

2. **Temporary Executive Commissions, 1849-94** (5 vols., 1 ft.). This series does not include commissions for December 1849 through 1853.

3. **Temporary Executive Commissions for Judiciary Positions, Mar.-Nov. 1849** (1 vol., 3 in.). This volume is not indexed; the forms are arranged by position (U.S. marshals and attorneys) and thereunder chronologically.

4. **Confirmed Executive Commissions, 1849-94** (10 vols., 2 ft.). No commissions are included for 1851-53.

5. **Consolidated Executive Nominations and Commissions, 1893-1909** (3 vols., 10 in.). These forms were used for recess appointments.

6. **Executive Designations, 1869-86** (2 vols., 3 in.). These forms were used for temporary appointments.

7. **Suspensions and Removals, 1869-1922** (3 vols., 6 in.).

8. **Departmental Commissions, 1871-1907** (5 vols., 7 in.). Before August 1900 the forms were used to appoint persons to positions in the Department. Thereafter, the forms give abstracts of information from the commissions.

Internally Kept Records

48.53 Lists and registers of appointees and employees, 1849-ca. 1909 (49 vols. and unbound papers, 9 ft.), cover Presidential and departmental appointments, employees of bureaus and offices in Washington, DC, and field employees of the General Land Office, Office of Indian Affairs, Pension Office, Census Office, and other bureaus and offices. The information concerning individuals may include name, office, position, residence and congressional district, date of appointment, salary, names of persons recommending the appointment, notations concerning military service, bonds, and terminations of appointment. The volumes are arranged by bureau or office; within the volumes the entries are arranged in various ways, including by State or Territory (and sometimes thereunder by congressional district), by office or position, in alphabetical sections by surname of appointee or employee, and in chronological order. A few volumes contain information about appointments before 1849. The earliest General Land Office volume contains information about appointments of registers and receivers to land offices opened as early as 1800. Letters, orders, notices, memorandums, and other documents concerning procedures, offices, and individuals have been inserted in some volumes. Information about State affiliation of Federal employees in the mid-19th century is also found in **lists of employees in the departments and offices of the Federal Government, 1849-50** (2 in.). The lists are of two types: one shows the number of employees appointed from each State at each salary level; the second shows employees by name, with information about salary, State from which appointed, and date of appointment. These lists are filed with the records of the Patents and Miscellaneous Division.

48.54 By 1909 these lists and registers had been replaced by employee status cards. **Employee status index cards, ca. 1900-14** (6 ft.), arranged alphabetically by surname, give name of employee, bureau or office, position, State of legal residence, salary, and roll from which paid. These cards apparently served as an index to current employees of the Department.

48.55 Forms completed by employees appointed by the President include information about legal residence, military service, date and place of birth, and race. These **Presidential appointee inquiry cards, 1886-1913** (1 ft.), are arranged in four chronological segments: 1886, 1889-93, 1894-97, and 1897-1913. Within each segment the cards are arranged alphabetically by surname of appointee. No cards exist for the years 1887-88. **Departmental appointee inquiry cards, 1884-1907** (6 ft.), are similarly arranged, although the four chronological periods are somewhat different: 1884-89 (few cards), 1889-93, 1893-97, and 1897-1907. The information provided on the cards differs from year to year but usually includes legal residence, military service, date and place of birth, and race.

48.56 The last series in the segment of internally kept records relates to the biennial roster of Federal employees, popularly known as the Biennial Register or "Blue Book." From 1861 to 1906 the Office of the Secretary was responsible for its compilation, and the Division records include a nearly complete set of the publication, the ***Official Register of the United States*** (62 vols., 11 ft.), for the period 1817-1919. Information about the Government employees and officers listed in the registers includes their position, rate of compensation, State of birth, and congressional district from which appointed. Beginning with the 1879 edition, each volume includes an index to the name of officers and employees. Individuals who worked for the Government under contract, such as deputy surveyors, are not listed.

Procedural Issuances

48.57 The orders and circulars composing the final segment of files are in two series. **Orders and circulars, 1877-88** (1 vol., 1 in.), arranged chronologically and indexed by subject, generally relate to personnel and other administrative procedures, examinations for positions, establishment of boards of

inquiry, location of field offices, and other subjects. A note states that in 1894 this volume was replaced by **orders and circulars, 1852-1908** (8 vols., 2 ft.). The compilation of this series was begun in 1894, but it includes copies of documents for 1852 as well as some annotations made after 1908. The volumes include copies of departmental and Executive orders, circulars, notices, letters, memorandums, and other documents giving announcements or instructions on policies and procedures relating to appointments and other personnel matters, location of field offices, and other subjects. For the most part, the documents are arranged chronologically.

Records of the Finance Division

48.58 The Finance Division, or Disbursing Office, was established in 1853. Although the Office of the Secretary did not maintain separate fiscal records during the period 1849-53, some materials for those and earlier years have been incorporated with those of the Division. Records dating before 1849 relate to the payrolls of clerks detailed to the new Department from the Pension, Patent, and General Land Offices. The Chief of the Finance Division, commonly called the disbursing clerk (later chief disbursing clerk), was concerned chiefly with the disbursement of funds for the Department. The Division authorized payment of salaries and bills, issued requisitions for funds, examined accounts before submission to the Treasury Department, and kept ledgers and other records of appropriations. The Division continued in operation after the reorganization of 1907, but gradually part of its work was transferred to the bureaus; it was abolished in 1933.

48.59 The general records of the Division consist primarily of letters sent and related indexes and registers. The letters received by the Division have not been found, but they were recorded in indexes and registers that have survived. Those control documents, combined with copies of the Division's replies, provide some clues to the content of the missing letters. Some of the letters sent are also missing. Because most of the Division's correspondence is administrative in nature, only a perfunctory discussion of the records is provided here.

48.60 An **index to letters received, 1881-85** (1 vol., 1 in.), and an **index to decisions of the First Comptroller of the Treasury, 1883-95** (1 vol., 1/2 in.), pertain to letters entered in the **registers of letters received, 1857-1913** (9 vols., 2 ft.). A **register of letters received concerning the Tenth Decennial Census, 1880-82** (1 vol., 2 in.), records letters relating chiefly to lost or erroneous payroll checks. The corresponding **letters sent concerning the Tenth Decennial Census (1880), 1879-83** (15 vols., 2 ft.), chronologically arranged, are chiefly press copies of letters to field employees and suppliers, transmitting drafts in payment for services, expenses, or goods.

48.61 Letters sent, 1857-1910 (26 vols., 6 ft.), consist of handwritten copies of letters to Interior Department officials in Washington and in the field, Treasury Department officials, Members of Congress, suppliers of goods and services, and others relating to appropriations, disbursements, deposit of funds, purchases, contracts, accounts, claims, and other subjects. Most of the volumes through 1878 contain indexes arranged alphabetically by surname of addressee. For a 20-year period beginning in 1883, separate **indexes to letters sent, 1883-1903** (5 vols., 7 in.), were maintained. Letters are missing for the period May 1880-May 1883 and after November 1910, but some of the missing letters, as well as some extant letters, are recorded in the **register of letters sent to the President and Congress concerning appropriations, 1878-84** (1 vol., 1 in.). Maintained separately are **letters sent transmitting accounts, 1881-86** (1 vol., 1 in.), press copies of form letters to the First Auditor of the Treasury.

48.62 More substantive and complete than the correspondence are the accounting records. The **appropriation ledgers, 1853-1923** (44 vols., 11 ft.), are divided into sets of volumes by subject: Civil and Diplomatic Appropriations, 1853-70; Civil and Miscellaneous Appropriations, 1870-1923; Miscellaneous Appropriations, 1880-1919; Indian and Pensions, 1853-86; and Pensions, 1886-1912. The contents of the volumes are arranged by accounts for individual appropriation items. Some volumes include indexes to accounts, while other volumes have separate **indexes, 1853-1911** (25 vols., 9 in.). The accounts covered are for funds appropriated by Congress to be expended in the Department of the Interior. The volumes for Miscellaneous Appropriations contain more detailed accounts of funds recorded in the Civil and Miscellaneous Appropriations volumes. In accounts for individual appropriations, credits are balanced against debits. A lengthy (127 pages) general subject index to the ledgers has been prepared by the National Archives staff and issued as Special List No. 18 (see 48.25).

48.63 The fiscal information found in the ledgers is very specific, but the entries in the Special List, while reflecting the functions of the bureaus of the Department, provide a comprehensive overview of departmental activities that clearly shows the Department's close relationship to developments in the Western United States. Arranged by year, the entries for each subject heading identify the appropriation involved and give the relevant ledger and page numbers. Shown below are selected headings and cross-references given in the Special List for the general subject "Land." For a typical entry, see "grants, Des Moines River, investigation," which is transcribed in its entirety below.

48.64 In addition to the headings listed or referred to above, the Special List includes headings for expenses for each decennial census by number (7th through 12th) and by State or Territory, the Geological Survey, the Office of Indian Affairs, the Bureau of Mines, the Patent Office, the Pension Bureau and

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Land:
- appraisal, Iowa
- claims in California, commission for settling
- classification of
  - Commission to Classify Lands and Codify Land Laws
- entries, hearings
- erroneously sold, repayment for
  - Burlington, IA
  - Greensburg District, LA
- extinguishing title to: *see* "Indians"
- grants
  - Des Moines River, investigation, 1893-96, Civil, 10:81; 11:560; Misc., 5:519; 6:64
  - in New Mexico, commission on surveying within
  - *See also*: "Railroads"
- Inspectors
  - *See also*: "General Land Office"
- laws
  - Codification (3rd ed.)
  - Commission to Classify Lands and Codify Land Laws
- lieu lands, California, examination of
- maps: *see* "Maps"
- offices
  - expenses, contingent
    - Oklahoma
  - records
    - Bismarck, ND, reproduction of
    - Olympia, WA, transcribing records destroyed by fire
  - registers of: *see* "Registers and Receivers"
  - salaries
    - Des Moines, IA
    - Kickapoo, KS
    - Topeka, KS
    - tract books for
- outstanding liabilities
- patents, secretary to sign, salary of
- prices, graduating
- protection of
- sales
  - proceeds of
    - Arkansas
      - spent for roads and canals
    - California
    - Colorado
    - Idaho
    - Iowa
      - spent for support of common schools
    - Kansas
    - Louisiana
      - spent for roads and levees
    - Minnesota
    - Missouri
      - spent for roads and canals
    - Montana
    - Nebraska
    - Nevada
    - New Mexico
    - North Dakota
    - Oregon
    - South Dakota
    - Utah
    - Washington
    - Wyoming
  - proceeds of, distribution
  - proclamations relating to
- service, public land advertisements
- surveying of: *see* "Surveying"
- title, extinguishment: *see* "Indians"
- titles, recorder of: *see* "Recorder of Land Titles"

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pension agencies, the Railroads Commissioner, and the Surveyors General Offices by State and Territory. Also provided are headings for each State and Territory; exhibits at expositions; national parks; forest reserves; various military forts and abandoned military reservations; individual Indian tribes, Indian agencies, and numerous subheadings under the general term "Indians"; railroads; penitentiary buildings; pensions; settlers; Territorial libraries; townsites; treaties with Indians; and wagon roads. Scattered throughout the list are references to miscellaneous topics such as repairs to the Adobe Palace in Santa Fe, NM; the preservation of buffalo; the recovery of an iron monument from the Colorado River; and medallions of the President of the United States for distribution to Indian tribes.

48.65 Among the other divisional records are three series relating to towns in Oklahoma. Proceeds from town lot sales in Anadarko, Hobart, and Lawton were deposited with the Assistant Treasurer at St. Louis, MO. These transactions were recorded in a chronological **record of deposits by Oklahoma townsite commissioners, 1891-1905** (1 vol., 1/2 in.). The three towns are county seats, and the proceeds from the sales were used for the maintenance of county governments and for public improvements as provided by an act of Congress of March 3, 1901. The accounts are recorded in **ledgers for Oklahoma town lot funds, 1901-7** (2 vols., 3 in.). One volume includes a chronologically arranged general account for each town's fund. The entries for the towns are not entered alphabetically, but a table of contents is included in the front of the volume. The second volume covers accounts for specific uses and is indexed by account. Disbursements of the proceeds from the sales of lots in the three towns are documented by **vouchers and related records concerning Oklahoma town lot funds, 1901-7** (3 ft.), which are arranged by town and thereunder for the most part chronologically by date of payment. Many of the documents were received originally by the Lands and Railroads Division. At the end of the series are some letters, reports, financial statements, receipts, and other records concerning sales of lots and the funds in general.

48.66 More general in coverage are **registers of requisitions, 1849-1907** (13 vols., 2 ft.), arranged in part by the appropriate Auditor of the Treasury but also including volumes for the Patent Office, Indian Office, and Chickasaw Indians. Entries in the volumes for the most part are arranged chronologically, although some volumes have separate sections for refunding requisitions. The entries give date, number, name and often address of claimant or person submitting requisition, purpose or appropriation account, amount, and other information concerning requisition for funds. Many of the volumes in this series have not been preserved. A more complete series consists of **records of vouchers, 1853-1911** (172 vols., 29 ft.), which includes volumes for the Office of the Secretary, bureaus and other administrative units, institutions, building construction projects, protection of forests, and miscellaneous expenses. For the most part, the entries in each of these volumes are arranged chronologically, but for the earlier years some are grouped by specific purpose. The entries give the date, the name of the payee, an explanation of the expense, the amount, and often a notation of approval by the appropriate official. Some of the earlier volumes include indexes to payees. Although the earlier volumes are labeled "Record of Contingent Accounts" and the later ones, "Record of Vouchers," the form and contents are substantially the same.

48.67 Some series relate to accounts of employees. **Ledgers for accounts of disbursing officers, 1877-1912** (4 vols., 6 in.), record credits and debits to accounts maintained for certain officials, chiefly special disbursing agents. Each volume covers a period of several years and is arranged by accounts for individual officers. The volumes are indexed by name of officer. Entries in a **ledger for accounts of pension agents, 1907-12** (1 vol., 1 in.), are arranged and indexed by surname of agent, as are the entries in a **register of statements of public funds, 1877-92** (1 vol., 1 in.), a record of the receipt and processing of weekly reports submitted by disbursing officers and of business reported. A **register of fees paid to Land Office officials for services in connection with certain Indian allotments, 1891-1905** (1 vol., 1/2 in.), records the processing of payments to registers and receivers as provided by several acts of Congress.

48.68 Cashbooks, abstracts of payments, and records of receipts and disbursements and of receipts and deposits are among **miscellaneous account books, 1862-1923** (18 vols., 2 ft.), arranged by account and thereunder for the most part chronologically. Included are accounts for the protection and improvement of Hot Springs Reservation, the Ninth and Eleventh Decennial Censuses, the Bureau of Mines, and other purposes.

Records of the Patents and Miscellaneous Division

48.69 Records of this Division (known during some periods as the Pension and Miscellaneous Division and briefly in 1907 as the Miscellaneous Division) date from 1849, although it was not formally established until considerably later. A few records predate the establishment of the Interior Department. The Division handled a wide variety of work, most of which is reflected in records that are grouped separately by subject or function. Included are records relating to the Pension Office; the Patent Office; decennial censuses; hospitals, schools, and charitable institutions; Territories and other possessions; attorneys and agents; and expositions (including records of temporary offices established in connection with expositions). The Division was also in charge of work concerning court officers, the Bureau of Education, national parks, the Geological Survey and its predecessors (except reclamation work, which was assigned to the Lands and Railroads Division), advertising, rental of building space, regulation of private companies, forest reserves (1891-95 only), and any other business not assigned to other divisions.

General Records

Letters Received and Related Records

48.70 Records reflecting the functions mentioned above are in the general records of the Division. Incorporated with these general records are letters sent by Secretary Ethan A. Hitchcock (48.90), as well as some records of Assistant Secretaries. Also available are records of the Office of the Chief Clerk, including a considerable quantity relating to divisional functions that were inherited by the Chief Clerk when the Patents and Miscellaneous Division was abolished.

48.71 In addition to the records already mentioned, the general records include the main series of indexes, registers, letters received, and letters sent. The Division's correspondence is divided into multiple series established on the basis of a common subject or the office of origin. The registers of letters received usually do not indicate the series in which the letters were filed. Beginning in 1881 the Division assigned file numbers to incoming documents in order of receipt, starting a new numerical sequence at the first of each year. Many of the letters are arranged by these numbers in one large series (48.75). Many other numbered letters, however, were placed in separate series, sometimes with earlier records and without regard for number sequence.

48.72 Although control documents such as registers and indexes have usually been discussed following the incoming letters to which they pertain, the order of discussion is reversed here because of the great number of series of letters received that fall within the miscellaneous category. Five sets of registers of letters received for the pre-1881 period are relevant to this guide. All of them give the name of the writer, the date of the letter, the subject, and an indication of the action taken. Three of them show the date the letter was received. Entries in the **registers of letters received, 1849-61** (5 vols., 4 in.), are arranged chronologically by date of receipt, although no letters are entered for the period 1852-55. These registers appear to have been used initially for all letters received by the Office of the Secretary and then gradually restricted to "miscellaneous" letters. Most of the entries were transcribed into other registers maintained by the Patents and Miscellaneous Division or by other divisions. Entries in the **registers of miscellaneous letters received, 1849-53** (2 vols., 3 in.), are arranged for the most part alphabetically by initial letter of surname or official position of writer and thereunder chronologically. For 1853 the only entries are for the letter "C"; no other registers for the years 1853-55 have been found. Entries in the **registers of miscellaneous letters received, 1856-80** (7 vols., 1 ft.), are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of writer's surname and thereunder chronologically, and the volumes include sections for letters from executive departments, bureaus, and congressional committees. The entries in these volumes also give the address of the writer.

48.73 The letters recorded in the two sets of registers of miscellaneous letters mentioned above are divided among many series within the Division. However, 'a series of unnumbered **miscellaneous letters received, 1849-84** (2 ft.), is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of surname of writer and thereunder chronologically. The letters relate to a wide variety of subjects, including pensions and bounty land claims, public works, welfare and scientific institutions, distribution of seeds, appointments to office, claims for services, mining, and expositions. Over the years, changes in opinion about the subjects that were considered "miscellaneous" resulted in additional letters about some of these same subjects, par-

ticularly pensions and claims and bounty land claims, being filed in other series (see various series listed under 48.96).

48.74 Letters received by the Division relating to the judiciary have not been found, but they were recorded in a **register of letters received concerning the judiciary, 1850-51** (1 vol., 1/2 in.), and in the **registers of letters received concerning Pension Office and judiciary business, 1850-55** (5 vols., 4 in.). The pension letters are divided among several series within the Division.

48.75 The numbered **miscellaneous letters received, 1881-1907** (55 ft.), are arranged for the most part by year and thereunder by file number assigned in order of receipt. Sometimes later letters concerning a subject were filed with the earliest one. The letters are from heads of bureaus and other units of the Department, officials of institutions, the President, the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, Treasury Department officials, Members of Congress, members of special boards and commissions, other officials, attorneys, merchants and manufacturers, and others. They relate to pensions and bounty land warrants, patents and trademarks, the Geological Survey, decennial censuses, congressional bills submitted to the President for approval, Department recognition of attorneys representing claimants, educational activities, expositions, advertisements (official notices) concerning public lands and timber, public buildings, finances, and many other subjects. Included in this series are letters received from the Commissioner of Pensions for the years 1884-95 as well as some for the years 1881-83 (see also 48.96.11). Many letters originally filed in this series were referred to other offices or placed in other series. Records concerning national parks, for example, were transferred to the National Park Service and are now in Record Group 79, Records of the National Park Service.

48.76 Access to the miscellaneous letters is through **indexes, 1881-1907** (11 vols., 2 ft.), and **registers, 1881-1907** (50 vols., 9 ft.). The indexes are to name of writers and subjects, arranged by chronological periods of varying length and thereunder alphabetically by surname or official position of writer or by subject. File numbers for writer entries are in black ink; those of subject entries are in red ink. Letters received from the Commissioner of Pensions, 1881-83, are indexed separately (48.96.11). Register entries, arranged chronologically by date of receipt, give file numbers, which were assigned in order of entry and started over each year. During the years 1884-95, letters from the Commissioner of Pensions were registered in this series.

48.77 The large number of individual series of letters received filed with the general records of the Division precludes, for most series, descriptions more detailed than a listing of titles, dates, and volume. More complete description is available in the Hill and Jaussaud inventory. Most of the series listed are relatively small in volume, and unless otherwise noted, the letters are arranged chronologically.

1. **Letters Received From Congress, 1850-80** (3 in.). The letters are divided into two groups, those from the Senate and those from the House of Representatives, and arranged chronologically thereunder.

2. **Letters Received From the President and Related Reports, 1864-80** (4 in.).

3. **Letters Received From the Treasury Department, 1849-80** (4 in.).

4. **Letters Received From the War Department, 1849-80** (2 in.). These letters relate to patents on military equipment, pensions, transportation of pensioners, the detailing of military officers to duty with the Department of Interior, Government telegraph lines, and many other subjects.

5. **Letters Received From the Secretary of the Navy, 1855-79** (1/2 in.). These letters concern pension claims, patents, naval prisoners in penitentiaries, and other subjects.

6. **Letters Received From the Smithsonian Institution, 1849-79** (1/2 in.). This series consists chiefly of letters from Joseph Henry, Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, relating to specimens, accounts, and other subjects.

7. **Miscellaneous Letters Received From the Attorney General, 1862-80** (2 in.). The letters relate to patent and pension cases, insane convicts, and other subjects.

8. **Letters Received From the Commissioner of the General Land Office, 1850-80** (3 in.). The letters concern legislation and appropriations, disbursements of funds, advertisement of land sales, bounty land warrants, maps, and other subjects.

9. **Letters Received From the Commissioner of Education, 1867-81** (3 in.).

10. **Letters Received From the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, 1865-80** (1 in.). The letters relate chiefly to finances, office space, and other administrative matters.

11. **Letters Received From and Relating to the Court of Claims, 1855-80** (2 in.).

12. **Letters Received Relating to the Department of Agriculture, 1862-75** (1/2 in.).

13. **Letters Concerning Public Depositories, 1866-80** (4 in.). These letters, received primarily from the Secretary of the Treasury, relate to the designation and discontinuance of banks as depositories of public funds, and other subjects.

14. **Letters Received Concerning the Northwest Boundary, 1901-3** (1/4 in.). Arranged by file number, these letters are chiefly from the Secretary of State and the Director of the Geological Survey and relate to surveys and maps of the northwestern boundary between the United States and Canada.

15. **Letters Received Concerning the Mexican Boundary, Feb. 1907** (1/4 in.). This series consists of a letter with enclosures from the Acting Secretary of State and a letter from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, relating particularly to the boundary at Naco, AZ.

48.78 More extensive than the series mentioned above are **letters received relating to the Geological Survey and its predecessors, 1868-80** (7 in.), from John Wesley Powell, Ferdinand V. Hayden, Director of the Geological Survey Clarence King, the Secretary of War, Treasury Department officials, and others relating to the Powell, Hayden, and Wheeler Surveys and, for 1879 and 1880, the Geological Survey. Some reports, maps, photographs, and other records are included. Closely related are **reports of the Geological Survey, 1883-87** (5 in.), arranged chronologically, consisting of monthly and annual reports of operation and annual plans of operations submitted by the Director or the Chief Clerk. These reports were removed from the miscellaneous letters received (48.73), and other such reports can be found in that series.

48.79 Letters received relating to the U.S. Entomological Commission, 1877-80 (1 in.), from members of the Commission, applicants for appointment as Commissioners, persons recommending applicants, Ferdinand V. Hayden, Treasury Department officials, Canadian officials, and others. The Commission was established in 1877 to study the Rocky Mountain locust and in 1879 began to investigate the cottonworm. Until 1879 the Commission was attached to the U.S. Geological and Geographical Survey of the Territories (Hayden Survey); thereafter, it was under the direct supervision of the Secretary of the Interior. In 1881 its work was transferred to the Department of Agriculture.

48.80 Letters received, reports, minutes, lists, maps, estimates, specifications, bids, contracts and bonds, certificates of wardens concerning conduct of prisoners, and other documents concerning penal matters constitute the **records relating to penal institutions and convicts, 1849-80** (2 ft.). Although much of the material relates to the District of Columbia, some records concern Federal convicts in State penitentiaries. The records are arranged mostly by subject, type of record, or surname of correspondent and thereunder chronologically.

48.81 Information about a statue of George Washington that was removed from Baton Rouge, LA, during the Civil War and stored in the Patent Office is found in **records relating to Washington "relics", statue and monument, 1864-1920** (2 in.). The records making up this series are arranged by subject and thereunder for the most part chronologically.

48.82 Also arranged chronologically for the most part are **records relating to a proposed penitentiary in North Dakota, 1890-1903** (2 in.). The records, dated 1890-94 and 1902-3, consist of letters received, memorandums, deeds, specifications, congressional bills, and other documents relating to the acquisition of land for and the proposed construction of a penitentiary at Grafton. Ultimately, an institution for the feebleminded, completed in 1902, was erected on the land. Related records are among the Dakota Territorial Papers (48.108.3).

48.83 By an act of August 30, 1890, Congress made a portion of the proceeds from the sale of public lands available to qualifying land-grant colleges of agriculture and the mechanical arts. The principal requirement to receive funds was that the State or Territory provide equal facilities for white and "colored" students, evidence of which had to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior. In addition, the State or Territory's legislature had to assent to the provisions of the congressional act, and the president and treasurer of the funded college had to submit an annual report to the Secretary. The Secretary delegated to the Bureau of Education immediate responsibility for administration of the fund program. The **records concerning funds for agricultural colleges, 1890-1907** (2 ft.), include letters received, reports, circulars, memorandums, lists, copies of State laws, college catalogs, congressional documents, certificates, affidavits, and newspaper clippings. The records are arranged for the most part alphabetically by name of State or Territory. Also included are some general records arranged chronologically and a set of

the laws of assent that were passed by the State and Territories.

48.84 Letters received, reports, printed copies of proclamations, maps, petitions, lists, and printed congressional reports and documents make up the **records relating to forest reserves, 1891-1902** (6 in.), which are chronologically arranged for the most part. The documents concern the establishment and protection of reserves, sheep and other stock grazing, settlers, surveys by Gifford Pinchot and by the Geological Survey, and other subjects.

48.85 The series **briefs and other records concerning land cases, 1850-65** (1 ft.), consists primarily of briefs prepared by clerks in the Office of the Secretary but also includes some reports and letters received and drafts or copies of letters sent, decisions of the Secretary, legislative bills, and other documents relating to cases appealed from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, interpretation of land laws, claims of employees, and other subjects. A few records relate to matters that have no connection with land. The records are arranged by subject since, to some extent, documents that either concern cases in a particular State or Territory or are otherwise related have been brought together.

48.86 Three additional series round out this group of the general records. The **records concerning an investigation of the General Land Office, 1906-8** (1 in.), consist chiefly of affidavits and transcripts of testimony taken by Inspector Edward B. Linnen. **Records concerning the revision of laws, 1905-6** (3 in.), arranged for the most part chronologically, are letters and reports with drafts of proposed revisions from the Commission to Revise the Laws of the United States and letters from heads of bureaus commenting on the proposals. Finally, **opinions of the Attorney General, 1851-1911** (10 in.), some related letters received, and other documents are divided into three subject groupings--miscellaneous, pensions, and patents--and are thereunder arranged chronologically. The opinions concern many subjects, including Territorial government, claims of employees, Hot Springs Reservation, pensions, patents, and many others.

Letters Sent and Related Records

48.87 Most of the Division's replies to the various incoming letters previously described are found in the multivolume series of **miscellaneous letters sent, 1849-1906** (88 vols., 15 ft.). These are chronologically arranged, handwritten copies of letters to the President, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of War, the Secretary of the Treasury and other Treasury Department officials, the Attorney General, members of Congress, heads of bureaus and other officials under the supervision of the Secretary of the Interior, State and Territorial officials, bankers, merchants, publishers, attorneys, and others. The letters relate to pensions and bounty lands, patents, the decennial censuses, geological surveys, national parks and reservations, Territories, penitentiaries, education, exhibits and expositions, attorneys and agents, public buildings, appropriations, departmental organization and procedures, and many other subjects. The unusually large variation in emphasis of subjects over the years resulted from changes in functions and the maintenance of separate series of letters sent. All but two of the volumes for the years through 1880 contain indexes to names of addressees and to some subjects. Two additional indexes, also to surnames of addressees and to subjects, were maintained separately: **indexes, 1849-75** (8 vols., 2 in.), cover volumes 1-8 (including the two without indexes), and **indexes, 1881-1902** (10 vols., 1 ft.), cover volumes 16-71. For the period from May 5, 1875, through 1880, the only indexes that exist are those in the letter books; after 1902 the only indexes are in the press copy books.

48.88 Press copies of miscellaneous letters sent, 1854-1907 (90 vols., 19 ft.), are arranged chronologically, with the exception of volume 30, which includes copies of letters sent by First Assistant Secretary Henry L. Muldrow, 1886-88. Beginning in 1891 the volumes include indexes to surnames of addressees and to subjects. For indexes before 1891, it is necessary to use the indexes to the handwritten copies described above. Through 1906 most of the letters in these volumes are copies of the handwritten letters already described; after 1906 these are usually the only copies. Some letters in this series were also transcribed in other series of handwritten copies; and some form letters were not copied by hand. The page number of the corresponding handwritten copy is usually noted on the press copy. The related letters received are divided among many series within the Patents and Miscellaneous Division.

48.89 Record copies of some outgoing letters were set up as separate series. **Letters sent concerning the "Judiciary," 1854-69** (42 vols., 4 ft.), for example, consist of press copies of letters relating chiefly to the expenditures and accounts of district

attorneys, marshals, clerks, and other officers of Federal courts, including those officers concerned with the suppression of the slave trade. The Secretary of the Interior supervised the accounts of court officers from 1849 until the function was transferred to the Department of Justice, which was established in 1870. Considerably less extensive in quantity is the series of handwritten copies of **letters sent to Congress, 1853-60** (1 vol., 2 in.). Addressed chiefly to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate, and chairmen of committees, the letters relate to appropriations, proposed legislation, requests from Congress for information, and other subjects. The volume includes letters for 1853-57 and 1860. Grouped with the letters sent are press copies of **decisions and other records, 1861-66** (1 vol., 1 in.), of the Secretary of the Interior relating chiefly to pensions, land, and Indian affairs; letters and reports sent to Congress and the President; and commissions for railroad commissioners.

48.90 Also among the Division's general records are **letters sent by the Assistant Secretary of the Interior William T. Otto, 1863-69** (1 vol., 1 in.), consisting of chronologically arranged press copies of letters relating to both personal and official matters, and an extensive series of **letters sent by Secretary of the Interior Ethan A. Hitchcock, 1899-1907** (11 vols., 1 ft.), also arranged chronologically. These press copies of letters sent from the immediate office of Secretary Hitchcock relate to appointments to office, charges and investigations, legislation, pension and other claims, public lands, and other subjects, often of a confidential, political, or personal nature. Each volume contains an index to surnames of addressees and persons who were subjects of letters.

Miscellaneous Records

48.91 Press copies of miscellaneous documents, 1878-83 (2 vols., 2 in.), include letters, legal documents, advertisements, and other records relating to such diverse subjects as the 1880 census, the first patent issued by the United States, pension cases, public buildings, reformatory institutions, and recordkeeping. The documents are arranged for the most part chronologically; they may have been intended as a collection of documents of particular interest. Another collection of documents consisting of **contracts and related records, 1882-83** (1 vol., 1 in.), is arranged chronologically and is partially indexed by subject. Included are press copies of contracts (some not executed), an opinion of the Attorney General, reports, an advertisement for bids, and other records concerning concessions and improvements in Yellowstone National Park and Hot Springs Reservation, the pension claim of the mother of an Army contract surgeon, and other subjects.

Cartographic Records

48.92 Filed apart from the textual documents are maps and other **records relating to Government reservations, ca. 1871-1907** (22 items). Arranged in three groups, as described below, all but one of the items relate to sites west of the Mississippi River.

1. Fourteen items concern the Hot Springs Reservation. Included are a bird's-eye view (sketch) of Hot Springs, AR; an annotated printed map and a photographic reproduction of the Hot Springs Reservation dated 1879, showing streets and numbered lots and blocks; a fractional manuscript map of the reservation, dated 1886, showing bathhouse sites; and a map dated 1884 and an undated plat of part of the reservation showing bathhouses, sites and springs, plan of improvements, and the distributing system for the spring waters. Also included is a ground plan, dated 1891, for improvement of part of the reservation and plans and specifications, approved in 1893, for the erection and completion of the W.P. Walsh Bath House, site No. 16, in Hot Springs, AR.

2. Maps relating to Indian reservations include a manuscript map and tracing (2 items), certified in 1904 and 1907 by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, showing Sully's Hill Park within the Devils Lake Indian Reservation, ND, as reserved for park purposes by the President in a proclamation dated June 27, 1904; and a map in six sections showing boundaries of the Navajo Indian Reservation, 1891-92.

3. Maps relating to national parks consist of three maps of Glacier National Park and one map of Yellowstone National Park. The map of Yellowstone, dated 1871, is based on surveys made under the direction of F.V. Hayden, who was in charge of the U.S. Geological Survey of the Territories. It shows parts of Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming Territories and is annotated in color to show the park and various exploration routes.

48.93 Among the **city maps, ca. 1887-1919** (69 items), are maps of cities split between congressional

districts as shown by the *Congressional Directory* of March 1903 (23 items); printed maps of New Orleans, St. Louis, and San Francisco; and maps of Wabasha and Minnieska, MN, 1907-10 (2 items). Also included are maps of Lawton, OK (16 items), consisting of plats, approved in 1909 and 1910, of the North Addition to the townsite of Lawton, showing general plans for a sanitary sewer system and detailed plans of the system.

Records Relating to the Pension Office

48.94 The work of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior involving the Pension Office, in addition to normal administrative supervision, related chiefly to cases appealed to the Secretary as a result of actions of the Pension Office. In 1884 a Board of Pension Appeals was established under the supervision of the Assistant Secretary to review appeals before submission to the Secretary for decision. The Board was temporarily discontinued from January 1896 to November 1897, during which period a Pension Affairs Division was in charge of the work concerning pensions performed previously and later by both the Board and the Patents and Miscellaneous Division. In 1911 the Board was permanently discontinued and its duties transferred to the Assistant Attorney General. Records originally maintained by the Board of Pension Appeals and the Pension Affairs Division are among the records of the Patents and Miscellaneous Division. Also available are some records maintained by the Office of the Chief Clerk and the Office of the Assistant Attorney General after the Patents and Miscellaneous Division was discontinued. Later records relating to military and bounty land claims are found in File Nos. 4 and 10 of the central classified files (48.235).

48.95 In 1886 the Commissioner of Pensions stated in his annual report to the Secretary of the Interior that pensioners were located in all but 118 of the 2,647 counties of the United States. He included a table showing the distribution of pensioners by county in each State and Territory. Pension business in the field was conducted by pension agents whose numbers and locations varied greatly in the second half of the 19th century. In 1849 pension agents located west of the Mississippi River were stationed in St. Louis, MO; Little Rock, AR; and Dubuque, IA. In 1865 agents were stationed in San Francisco, CA; Des Moines and Dubuque, IA; Topeka, KS; New Orleans, LA; St. Paul, MN; Omaha, NE; Oregon City, OR; and Vancouver, Washington Territory. From 1865 to 1883, the number of agents and their locations varied, with additional agents stationed in Fort Gibson and Little Rock, AR; Fairfield and Marion, IA; Macon, MO; and Santa Fe, New Mexico Territory. By 1883 the number of agents assigned west of the Mississippi was reduced to three, located at Des Moines, San Francisco, and Topeka. Agencies were limited to these three locations through 1912.

48.96 More than 60 series of records document the pension work of the Patents and Miscellaneous Division, including a **register of letters sent concerning Navy pensions and hospitals, 1832-33** (1 vol., 1 in.), apparently inherited from the Navy Department; general records, 1848-1908; records concerning bounty lands, 1842-83; and records relating to pension appeals, 1849-1920. Complete descriptions of the records are provided in the Hill and Jaussaud inventory. Only a few of the most relevant series are discussed in detail in this chapter; the remainder are listed by title, with related indexes and registers grouped with the records to which they pertain. Unless indicated otherwise, the records are arranged chronologically. Some of these records are closely related to records described elsewhere in this chapter, and cross-references are provided.

General Records, 1848-1908

1. Letters Received Relating to Pension Agencies and Agents, 1849-80 (1 ft.). The letters, arranged mostly by subject or writer and thereunder chronologically, are from the Commissioner of Pensions, the Secretary of the Treasury, pension agents, and others. Also included are some petitions. The records relate to the establishment and location of agencies, consolidation of agencies, appointment and removal of agents, bonds, charges and complaints, funds and depositories, accounts, defaulting agents, the borrowing of canceled checks from the Treasury Department for use in investigations and prosecutions, and other subjects.

2. Miscellaneous Letters Received Concerning Pension Office Business, 1849-80 (1 ft.).

3. Miscellaneous Letters Received Concerning Pensions and Claims, 1849-79 (1 ft.). The letters are arranged in alphabetical groupings by initial or first two letters of surname of writer and thereunder chronologically (see also 48.73).

4. Letters Received Concerning Expenses of Pension Cases, 1850-68 (1/2 in.).

5. **Letters Received Concerning Pension Legislation, 1850-76** (3 in.). The letters are arranged mostly by subject and thereunder chronologically.

6. **Letters Received Relating to Pension and Bounty Land Claim Frauds, 1851-73** (1/2 in.).

7. **Reports of the Commissioner of Pensions Concerning Claims, 1853-80** (4 ft.).

8. **Letters Received and Reports Relating to Restoration of Pensions, 1855-75** (1 in.). The documents are arranged chronologically for the most part, but records relating to the same case are sometimes filed together. The letters relate chiefly to appeals for the restoration of suspended pensions, often on charge of disloyalty during the Civil War.

9. **Letters Received Concerning Pensions of Inmates of Soldiers' Homes, 1871-81** (1/2 in.).

10. **Letters Received From the Commissioner of Pensions Recommending that Pensioners Be Dropped from the Rolls, 1876-81** (3 in.).

11. **Letters Received From the Commissioner of Pensions, 1881-83** (2 ft.). These letters are arranged by year and thereunder by file number assigned in order of receipt. Access is facilitated by a **subject index, 1881-83** (1 vol., 1 in.), and **registers, 1855-83** (4 vols., 8 in.). Additional letters received, 1881-95, are discussed in 48.75 and 48.76.

12. **Letters Received, 1896-1907** (16 ft.). Arranged mostly by file number assigned in the order of receipt as established in the registers (see below), the letters are from the Commissioner of Pensions, the Attorney General, Treasury Department officials, the Secretary of State, the Postmaster General, Members of Congress, claimants, attorneys and agents, and others. They relate to pension and bounty land claims, investigations, criminal prosecutions, medical examinations, cancellation of pension certificates, the dropping of names from pension rolls, recognition of attorneys and agents, pension agencies, administrative matters, and other subjects. Access is facilitated by an **index, 1896-1907** (1 vol., 2 in.), to surnames of addressees and subjects, and by **registers, 1896-1907** (10 vols., 2 ft.). Entries in the registers are arranged by file number assigned in order of receipt. One set of numbers was used for 1896 and 1897; thereafter, a new sequence was started each year.

13. **Letters Sent, 1849-81** (12 vols., 2 ft.). The letters are indexed within the volumes by surnames of addressees and subjects; in addition separate **indexes, 1849-69** (6 vols., 1 in.), are available for the first six letter books. These handwritten copies of letters to the Commissioner of Pensions, claimants, attorneys, Members of Congress, Treasury and War Department officials, the Attorney General, the Secretary of State, and others relate to pension and bounty land claims, appeals, pension payments, frauds, removal of names from rolls, legislation, appropriations, fees and recognition of attorneys, pension agencies, accounts, and other subjects. For the years 1881-96, letters concerning Pension Office business are among the miscellaneous letters sent by the Division (48.87). Most of the letters in this series are duplicated in the **press copies of letters sent, 1854-83** (28 vols., 4 ft.), which also include letters and decisions relating to appeals. The letters after 1880 relate entirely to appeals. Related letters are in the miscellaneous press copy books (48.88).

14. **Letters Sent, 1896-1907** (16 vols., 3 ft.). These handwritten letters addressed to the Commissioner of Pensions, the Attorney General, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of War, the Postmaster General, the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Members of Congress, claimants, attorneys and agents, and others, relate to pension and bounty land claims, criminal prosecutions, cancellation of pension certificates, the dropping of names from rolls, payment of pensions, medical examination, pension agencies, and other subjects. For letters, 1881-1896, see also 48.87. Alphabetical **indexes, 1896-1907** (2 vols., 3 in.), to addressees and subjects of the letters sent are maintained separately. The first index volume covers the first 11 letter books; the second is for the last 4 letter books. The volumes of **press copies of letters sent, 1896-1907** (11 vols., 2 ft.), contain indexes to surnames and subject indexes.

15. **Letters Sent by the Assistant Secretary, 1903-8** (11 vols., 1 ft.). During the period of these letters, decisions in pension appeals were the particular responsibility of the Assistant Secretary. These letters, chiefly to Members of Congress, claimants, and attorneys and agents, relate to pension claims and appeals, with a few concerning appointments and other subjects.

16. **Records Concerning Charges Against William Breeden, 1865-68** (1/2 in.). The records include letters received, statements of witnesses, and other documents concerning charges against Breeden for withholding payments from a pensioner in New Mexico.

17. **Records Concerning Pensions for Indians, 1872-74** (1/4 in.). This series consists chiefly of endorsement sheets used to record letters received from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, the

Commissioner of Pensions, and others, that were referred elsewhere. A few letters are still in the file.

18. Pension Office Criminal Docket, 1877 (1 vol., 1 in.). Entries recording actions taken on criminal cases for the years 1873-77 are arranged in rough alphabetical order by surname of accused and thereunder chronologically by date of action.

19. Orders and Circulars, 1889-92 (1 vol., 1 in.).

20. Records Concerning "Making Cases Special," Apr.-May 1892 (1 vol., 1/2 in.)., are chiefly copies of letters and reports that were submitted to the Secretary of the Interior by the Commissioner of Pensions in response to complaints of favoritism in the processing of claims by the Pension Office.

21. "Civil and Criminal Docket," 1896-97 (1 vol., 1 in.). This volume contains synopses of action in cases involving pension law violations, arranged by docket number assigned in order of submission of case to the Department of Justice. Entries are indexed by surname of defendants and claimants.

22. Miscellaneous Records, 1894-1901 (2 in.). This series consists of memorandums, letters received, reports, legislative bills, and other records arranged by subject, The documents concern legislation, investigations, consolidation of pension agencies, payment procedures, individual cases, and other matters.

Records Relating to Bounty Lands, 1842-83

23. Miscellaneous Letters Received From the Commissioner of Pensions Concerning Bounty Land Claims, 1842-76 (1/2 in.). The records, concerning interpretation of legislation, procedures, individual claims, and other subjects, do not include letters for the period 1843-49.

24. Miscellaneous Letters Received Concerning Bounty Land Claims, 1849-77 (10 in.). The letters are arranged in alphabetical groups by initial or first two letters of surname of writer (or occasionally subjects) of letter and thereunder chronologically. They relate to eligibility for bounty land, filing procedures and forms, individual applications, appeals, complaints, reissues of warrants, and other subjects. Other letters concerning bounty land claims are among the miscellaneous letters received (48.73).

25. Reports of the Commissioner of Pensions Concerning Bounty Land Claims, 1849-79 (1 ft.). These reports, often with accompanying papers, relate chiefly to appeals to the Secretary of the Interior resulting from actions of the Pension Office. They are arranged in alphabetical groups by initial or first two letters of surname of claimant and thereunder chronologically.

26. Records Relating to New Mexico Bounty Land Claims, 1856-67 (1/2 in.). These letters received, reports, lists, and other records relate to certain claims for bounty land warrants filed by residents of New Mexico Territory, chiefly for military service before the organization of the Territory of New Mexico on September 9, 1850.

27. Letters Received Concerning Proof of Loyalty in Bounty Land Cases, 1876-77 (1/4 in.).

Records Relating to Pension Appeals, 1849-1920

28. Reports of the Commissioner of Pensions Concerning Appeals, 1849-81 (15 ft.).

29. The more important decisions of the Secretary of the Interior in appealed pension cases were recorded in two series: **digest of decisions, 1852-64** (1 vol., 1 in.), with entries arranged in alphabetical sections with cross-references for claimants, and **digest of decisions, 1861-75** (1 vol., 2 in.), with entries arranged for the most part alphabetically by subject and thereunder chronologically. Some of the letters cited in this digest are in the two series of letters sent described in 48.96.13.

30. Appeals resulting from actions of the Pension Office are recorded in three series: **register of appeals, 1849-60** (1 vol., 2 in.); **register of appeals, 1861-71** (1 vol., 2 in.); and **register of appeals, 1881-83** (1 vol., 1/2 in.). Entries in the volumes are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of surname of claimant (first two volumes) and appellant (last volume) and thereunder chronologically. Information contained in the last volume bridges the gap between the two sets of appeal dockets described below.

31. An incomplete record of cases appealed to the Secretary of the Interior resulting from the action of the Pension Office is provided by the **appeal docket books, 1867-81** (2 vols., 3 in.), with entries arranged alphabetically by initial letter of surname of appellant, thereunder chronologically, and **appeal docket books, 1884-1918** (69 vols., 10 ft.), with entries arranged by docket number assigned in order of receipt of appeal. Docket books from 1881 to mid-1884 have not been found. Names of appellants and some attorneys mentioned in most of the docket books in the second series are provided by **indexes to appeal docket books, 1881-1911** (7 vols., 1 ft.).

32. A record of cases involving fees of attorneys in pension claims is provided by the **fee case appeal docket books, 1888-1920** (4 vols., 8 in.). Included in the first volume is a group of entries for motions for reconsideration of cases, all of which were referred to the Commissioner of Pensions on August 31, 1889. Entries are arranged by docket number assigned in order of receipt of appeal, but an **index to fee case dockets, 1895-1909** (1 vol., 2 in.), identifies the surnames of appellants for parts of the docket books. Also available is an **index to fee case dockets and to motions for reconsideration, 1888-98** (1 vol., 1 in.).

33. Actions on cases appealed from the Pension Office arising from the act of March 3, 1899, that provided for the division of a single pension between a pensioner and his wife or the guardian of his children under certain circumstances are recorded in **"Journal" appeal docket books for cases concerning division of pensions, 1899-1914** (6 vols., 6 in.). Each volume is indexed by surname of contestants, but entries are arranged by docket number. **Appeal docket books for cases concerning division of pensions, 1905-11** (4 vols., 8 in.), contain entries arranged by docket number assigned in order of receipt of appeal. Each volume is indexed by surname of contestant.

Records Relating to the Patent Office

48.97 The Patent Office was primarily responsible for administering the patent laws, including granting patents for inventions and registering trademarks. Until 1862 it also collected agricultural statistics. The work of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior relating to the Patent Office included authenticating copies of patents in use in foreign countries, arranging for the admission of books and models free of duty, and rendering decisions on appeals resulting from the administrative action of the Commissioner of Patents. Appeals resulting from the decisions of the Commissioner of Patents in judicial matters were handled by the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia. Later records relating to patents dated 1889-1907 are in the miscellaneous letters received (48.73); those dated after 1907 may be found in File No. 3 of the central classified files (48.235).

48.98 Most of the records relating to the business of the Patent Office are fairly general in nature. Since not all inventors lived in the Eastern United States, a perusal of the various correspondence series does disclose letters exchanged with inventors or their representatives who resided west of the Mississippi River. In 1865, for example, Jacob Kaufman of Mount Pleasant, IA, inquired about a model and specifications for a water wheel with self-adjusting paddles that had been submitted by James Merkel, a fellow townsman (series 3 below). Since the number of such documents is relatively limited, however, only the titles, volume, and arrangement statements of the pertinent series are given below:

1. **Registers of Letters Received Concerning Patent Office Business, 1849-80** (4 vols., 8 in.). Entries are arranged for the most part alphabetically by initial letter of surname of writer and thereunder chronologically. The volumes contain separate sections for letters from executive departments, the Commissioner of Patents, and--in one volume--congressional committees.

2. **Letters Received from the Commissioner of Patents, 1849-80** (1 ft.). The letters are arranged chronologically.

3. **Miscellaneous Letters Received Relating to Patents, 1849-79** (4 in.). The letters are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of surname of writer and thereunder chronologically.

4. **Letters Sent Concerning Patent Office Business, 1849-80** (3 vols., 7 in.). The letters in each volume, arranged chronologically and indexed by surname of addressee and by subject, relate to applications for patents, disputed patents, infringements on patent rights, trademarks, the Patent Office Building, exhibits, and agricultural work of the Patent Office, among other subjects.

5. **Special Files Concerning Patent Cases and Attorneys, 1875-85** (2 ft.). These records are arranged by case and thereunder chronologically, except for separate oversize documents concerning applications of Thomas A. Edison for patents on improvements in telegraphs and disbarment proceedings against J. McClary Perkins.

The **letters received relating to the Agricultural Division of the Patent Office, 1849-63** (2 in.), complete this group of records. These letters, arranged for the most part chronologically, were received from the Commissioner of Patents, the Agricultural Clerk, and others relating to the distribution of seeds, collection of statistics and specimens, agricultural reports, personnel, accounts, and other subjects.

48.99 The Secretary of the Interior appointed the Census officials and approved the organization and methods of each decennial census; his office also maintained the census rolls and provided information from them. An act of March 2, 1895, authorized establishment of a Census Division in the Office of the Secretary, and an act of March 6, 1902, called for establishment of a permanent Census Office and the position of Superintendent. Before 1902 a separate census staff had been organized for each decennial census. The Census Office was transferred to the new Department of Commerce and Labor in 1903.

48.100 Two series of records document the Seventh Decennial Census (1850). **Letters received, 1850-57** (10 in.), which are arranged in rough chronological order, include reports and copies of legislation and relate to the preparation of census returns, compensation of employees and agents, personnel matters, apportionment, requests for census information, and other subjects. The letters are from the Superintendent of Census, clerks in the Census Office, Members of Congress, and private individuals. Letters and reports constitute the **records relating to the claims of John Gorman and Charles Blummer, 1851-57** (4 in.), for reimbursement of expenses the two assistant marshals incurred while taking the census in New Mexico Territory.

48.101 Two series of records likewise document the Division's work with regard to the 1860 census. **Records relating to the Eighth Decennial Census (1860), 1860-79** (5 in.), are dated 1860-67 and 1876-79 and are arranged chronologically within each group. Letters for the later period relate primarily to compensation claims for service. The earlier records consist of letters received and reports relating to the operation of the Census Office, claims for services, appropriations for census work, requests for census information, personnel matters, and other subjects. Also included are tables showing the population of various States and Territories, lists of employees in the Census Office, and protests from the Superintendent of Census. The second series, **records relating to the claim of Oscar W. Streeter, 1860-83** (3 in.), consists of letters received, copies of legislation and congressional reports, affidavits, a memorial to the Senate and House of Representatives, and other papers submitted with Streeter's claim for money expended and services performed in taking the 1860 census in Dakota Territory.

48.102 Records relating to the Ninth and Tenth Decennial Censuses (1870 and 1880), 1870-81 (1 ft.), are arranged in rough chronological order. Included are letters received, reports, copies of legislation and other congressional documents, Executive orders, and other records from the Superintendent of the Census, Members of Congress, the President, other Government officials, private citizens, census enumerators, and others. The records relate to the appointment of census takers, compensation claims from census takers, delineation of census districts, reenumeration of certain districts, statistical information to be gathered during the census, the use of tallying machines, the preparation of census returns, and other matters. Letters concerning a decision regarding the enumeration of Indians for inclusion in Territorial and State populations are also included. Discussed earlier in this chapter are letters sent concerning the Tenth Decennial Census (48.60) and fiscal records relating to the Ninth and Eleventh Decennial Censuses (48.68).

48.103 The **records relating to the Eleventh Decennial Census (1890), 1889-93** (1 ft.), are arranged for the most part chronologically, although most of the records carry file numbers. These records are indexed and registered in volumes already described (48.76). Included are letters received, opinions of the Assistant Attorney General, reports, instructions, telegrams, and other records relating to the compensation of employees and agents, preliminary schedules, arrest and prosecution of individuals refusing to furnish census information, enumeration of special groups, gathering of statistical information on particular industries, operation of the Census Office, and other administrative matters. Separate **records relating to reenumerations, 1890** (4 in.), are arranged by city or State. These consist chiefly of letters received but also include reports, telegrams resolutions, briefs, printed documents, and other records relating to requests for the reenumeration of St. Louis, MO, Minneapolis and St. Paul, MN, and the State of Oregon. Also included are records concerning a compensation claim relating to the enumeration of the surviving veterans of the Civil War.

48.104 Letters received, 1894-1904 (2 ft.), relating to general census matters, are arranged chronologically by year and thereunder by assigned numbers. These letters are covered by the indexes and registers described in 48.76. In addition to letters, the records include reports, copies of legislation, printed documents, and other records from the Com-

missioner of Labor (while in charge of the Census Office), the Secretary of the Interior, other Federal officials, Members of Congress, State and Territorial officials, private citizens, and others. The records relate to the enumeration of the population, the gathering and tabulation of statistics concerning agriculture and industry, the prosecution of individuals and companies for failure to answer census questions, reapportionment of the House of Representatives, compensation of special agents and census enumerators, requests for information from the census records, and other administrative subjects. Similar letters received during the years 1881-88 are with the miscellaneous letters received (48.73).

Records Relating to Territories

48.105 An act of March 1, 1873, provided for the transfer of the supervision of the organized Territories (Arizona, Colorado, Dakota, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming) from the Secretary of State to the Secretary of the Interior. Oklahoma Territory was placed under the jurisdiction of the Interior Department by an act of May 2, 1890. The Division holdings also include some records relating to Indian Territory, an area that never achieved regular Territorial status.

48.106 Records in the Patents and Miscellaneous Division predating the transfer of jurisdiction relate primarily to the Interior Department's responsibility for the construction of penitentiaries and the provision of books for Territorial libraries. While the records relating to the penitentiaries are filed with similar records relating to the Territory involved, some library related materials are part of the **letters received relating to Territorial matters, 1850-73** (1/2 in.). These records, arranged chronologically, are from Territorial Governors, publishers, and others relating chiefly to public buildings and the procurement of books for Territorial libraries during the period when the Department of State had primary responsibility for the Territories. Some plans, specifications, estimates, and bills of lading are included.

48.107 The pertinent records after 1873 are grouped by Territory and are arranged mostly by type of record and thereunder chronologically. The records relating to each Territory may include all or part of the following: transcripts of executive proceedings, messages of Territorial officials, letters received concerning general (including miscellaneous) subjects, and letters received relating to specific topics. The records for Indian Territory consist solely of mine inspection reports and related correspondence. Letters sent concerning the Territories are among those described in 48.87 and 48.88, and records relating to Territorial appointments are described in 48.31-48.33.

48.108 As noted above, transcripts of executive proceedings and related correspondence arranged in rough chronological order are common to nearly all the Territories. The proceedings, a record of the official acts of the Governors, include such documents as copies of the proclamations, lists of appointments, letters of pardon, commutations of sentences, offers of rewards, extradition orders, and election notices. The proceedings were submitted semiannually or annually by the Secretary of the Territory to the President, who customarily referred them to the Secretary of the Interior. Since the contents of this series vary little from one Territory to another, subsequent listings for proceedings for each Territory give only the series title, information concerning coverage, and any items unique to the Territory. Also found for several Territories are periodic coal mine inspection reports made in accordance with the provision of an act of March 31, 1891. These reports were submitted to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and subsequently forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior. The records for most Territories have been reproduced as National Archives microfilm publications and the appropriate publication number is shown in each instance. In some cases, additional papers were located after filming was completed, and they are identified as "Unfilmed" materials. Unless otherwise indicated, all the records described in this "Territorial Papers" section are arranged chronologically. Also given, in brackets, are references to microfilm publications of Territorial papers found in Records of the U.S. Senate (RG 46) and General Records of the Department of State (RG 59). The State Department materials are described in some detail in *The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-1912, Part I, A Guide to Records of the Department of State for the Territorial Period.*

1. ARIZONA TERRITORY, 1868-1907
(Filmed, M429, 8 rolls). Reproduced on rolls 6-8 of the publication are related subject classified files of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, 1907-13, 1919, from Record Group 126, Records of the Office of Territories. [RG 46: Arizona, 1857-65 (M200, roll 18); RG 59: Arizona, 1864-72 (M342, 1 roll)].

a. **Transcripts of Executive Proceedings and Related Correspondence, 1877-1903** (5 in.). No transcripts for the periods January 1882-June 1885, January 1888-June 1893, and July 1895-July 1903 are found in this series.

b. **Messages of the Governor and Reports of Territorial Officials, 1905-7** (5 in.). Included are printed copies of messages from the Governor to the Territorial legislature, 1907, and biennial reports from the following Territory of Arizona officials and organizations: auditor, treasurer, penitentiary, Board of Control, attorney general, Northern Arizona Normal School, asylum, University of Arizona, Tempe Normal School, Livestock Sanitary Board, adjutant general, and Loan Commission. The records are arranged by type of record and thereunder by subject.

c. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning Miscellaneous Subjects, 1868-1907** (15 in.). No documents for 1872 are included. The records relate to Territorial matters, including political affairs, construction of the penitentiary, removal of the capital to Prescott, provision of law books for the library, appointments, charges against and investigations of officials, congressional ratification of Territorial legislation, municipal bond issuances, introduction of the "Idaho Test Oath," maintenance of the militia, Indian raids, the prohibition imposed by the Governor on the importation of cattle from Mexico, irrigation and canal works in the Salt River Valley, mine inspections, excavations at the Casa Grande ruins, camels released by the War Department, and many other records.

d. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning Disturbances Along the Mexican-Arizona Border, 1878-94** (3 in.). These letters and reports relate to depredations committed by bands of outlaws and the illegal pursuit of outlaws by sheriffs' posses across the border into Mexico. The correspondents include the Governor of Arizona Territory, the U.S. Attorney General and Secretary of State, and Mexican officials.

2. **COLORADO TERRITORY, 1861-76** (Filmed, M431, 1 roll). [RG 46: Colorado, 1860-68 (M200, roll 17); RG 59: Colorado, 1859-74 (M3, 1 roll)].

a. **Letters Received Relating to Miscellaneous Subjects, 1861-76** (1 in.). Most of these letters relate to the provision of books for the Territorial library, but a few items concern other subjects.

b. **Letters Received Relating to Construction of a Penitentiary at Canon City, 1868-75** (4 in.). These letters concern the appointment of a superintendent of construction, the awarding of the construction contract, and the subsequent building of the facility. Also included are two later letters received in 1885 and 1888.

3. **DAKOTA TERRITORY, 1863-1902** (Filmed, M310, 3 rolls). [RG 46: Dakota, 1858-73 (M200, roll 18); RG 59: Dakota, 1861-73 (M309, 1 roll)].

a. **Transcripts of Executive Proceedings and Related Correspondence, 1877-88** (10 in.). Missing from the records are transcripts of proceedings before July 1877; transcripts and correspondence for the periods January-June 1880, January-June 1881, January-June 1884, and July-December 1886; and transcripts for January-November 1889.

b. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning Miscellaneous Subjects, 1863-89** (5 in.). Included are letters, proclamations, printed materials, newspaper clippings, reports, and other records concerning Territorial matters, such as the provision of books for the library, the construction of buildings, the indictment and trial of P.P. Wintermute for the murder of Territorial Secretary Edwin S. McCook, efforts to organize a new Territory named "Lincoln" from a portion of Dakota Territory, the transfer of the capital from Yankton to Bismarck, organization of counties, and the admission to the Union of the States of North and South Dakota.

c. **Letters Received and Other Records Concerning the U.S. Penitentiary at Sioux Falls, 1881-86** (4 in.). These letters, reports, specifications, and other records concern appropriations, selection and purchase of a site, appointment of a superintendent of construction, and progress of work. Also included is one item each for 1898 and 1902.

4. **IDAHO TERRITORY, 1864-90** (Filmed, M191, 3 rolls). [RG 46: Idaho, 1863-70 (M200, roll 19); RG 59: Idaho, 1863-72 (M445, 1 roll)].

a. **Transcripts of Executive Proceedings and Related Correspondence, 1880-90** (8 in.). The earliest transcript is for July 1880. Unfilmed: transcripts of executive proceedings, January 1, 1890-June 20, 1890.

b. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning Miscellaneous Subjects, 1864-90** (2

in.). Included are letters, reports, telegrams, printed documents, public notices, copies of congressional documents, proclamations, and related records concerning the provision of books for the Territorial library, financial matters, the Territorial militia, irrigation projects, and related matters.

c. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning the U.S. Penitentiary at Boise City, 1869-90** (5 in.). Letters, reports, building plans, specifications, estimates, and related records concern site selection, appointment of the superintendent of construction, progress of construction work, water supply for the facility, and related matters. Records for the years 1869-72 concern construction of the original facility; records for the period 1889-90, which include the building plans and related drawings, concern the addition of a new wing to the original building.

5. INDIAN TERRITORY, 1893-1907 (Unfilmed).

Reports and Related Records Concerning Coal Mine Inspections, 1893-1907 (2 ft.). These periodic reports include data such as name and location of mines; names of owners or operators; number of employees; tonnage produced; efficiency of machinery, especially ventilating equipment; and number and accessibility of exits. Accident reports prepared by mine inspectors are frequently accompanied by completed accident report forms submitted by mine superintendents, and drawings and plats showing accident sites. Also included are letters received and printed material relating to the value of coal mined in the Territory, the number of acres leased as coal mines, and the nature and extent of other mineral resources.

6. MONTANA TERRITORY, 1867-89 (Filmed, M192, 2 rolls). [RG 46: Montana, 1863-69 (M200, roll 19); RG 59: Montana, 1864-71 (M356, 2 rolls)].

a. **Transcripts of Executive Proceedings and Related Correspondence, 1877-87** (5 in.). The transcripts cover the period June 1877 through June 1887. Occasional copies of official correspondence of the Governors with Federal and Territorial officials and with private individuals, June 21, 1877-April 27, 1885, are found with the proceedings.

b. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning Miscellaneous Subjects, 1867-89** (2 in.). The letters, telegrams, newspaper clippings, and proclamations relate primarily to Territorial administration, provision of books for the Territorial law library, transfer of the Territorial capital from Virginia to Helena, and disturbances involving Chinese at Anaconda. No records for 1868-70, 1872, 1875, 1879, and 1884-85 are included.

c. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning the U.S. Penitentiary at Deer Lodge, 1867-86** (5 in.). These letters, reports, newspaper clippings, building specifications, bids, map of Deer Lodge townsite, floor plan of the penitentiary, contract with builders, and records relate to land title for the penitentiary site. The 1884-86 material concerns the addition of another wing to the penitentiary building. The records are dated 1867-71, 1874, and 1884-86.

d. **Letters Received Concerning the Deer Lodge Telegraph Co., 1877-78** (1/4 in.). Letters received from the Secretary of War, Postmaster General, Attorney General, Commissioner of the General Land Office, and others concern the refusal of the Deer Lodge Telegraph Co., operator of a line between Helena and Fort Ellis, to transmit official government messages at U.S. Government rates set by the Postmaster General.

7. NEW MEXICO TERRITORY, 1851-1907 (Filmed, M364, 15 rolls). Related subject classified files of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, 1906-14 and 1923, in Record Group 126, Records of the Office of Territories, are reproduced as rolls 10-15 of this publication. [RG 46: New Mexico, 1840-54 (M200, roll 14); RG 59: New Mexico, 1851-72 (T17, 4 rolls)].

a. **Transcripts of Executive Proceedings and Related Correspondence, 1874-1906** (3 ft.). No transcripts are found for the period before October 1874 or for the periods October 1875-September 1876, October 1883-June 1885, January-June 1889, and January-June 1903.

b. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning Miscellaneous Subjects, 1851-1907** (15 in.). Included are letters, reports, proclamations, printed material, copies of Territorial legislation, newspaper clippings, and other records. The records concern subjects such as the provision of books for the Territorial library, organization of the Territorial legislature, reapportionment, transfer of old Spanish manuscripts to the Library of Congress, statehood, Territorial bond issues, Indian raids, disturbances in Lincoln and Dona Ana Counties, stationing of troops

at Fort Marcy, coal mines and mineral resources, irrigation and artesian wells, schools, and agricultural experiment stations.

c. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning Public Buildings and Grounds, 1857-99** (2 in.). Letters, reports, and related records received chiefly from the Territorial Governor, Secretary, and superintendent of public buildings concern the construction and maintenance of the capitol, penitentiary, and other public buildings. Included are records relating to the selection of a site for the capitol building at Santa Fe and the issuance of "Capitol Building Bonds." Later the Territorial Secretary was also made the ex officio custodian of public buildings and grounds.

d. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning the "Adobe Palace" at Santa Fe, 1867-1900** (7 in.). These letters, reports, petitions, floor plans, and other records relate to the assignment of rooms, eviction of intruders, and repairs and maintenance of the building known variously as the Old Adobe Palace, Old Palace Building, or Government Building. Among those requesting space in the building, which was constructed by the Spanish as a residence and headquarters for their colonial authorities, were the U.S. Post Office and the Justice and War Departments; and the New Mexico Historical Society.

e. **Reports and Related Records Concerning the Inspection of Coal Mines, 1892-1907** (2 ft.). These are chiefly monthly reports that provide the name and location of the mines visited, names of the owners or operators, number of employees, production statistics, comments on the safety and operating efficiency of machinery, number of ventilating shafts, number and accessibility of entrances and exists, and related matters. Also included are special reports concerning the investigations of accidents. These reports are sometimes accompanied by a plat of the mine workings, annotated to show the location of cave-ins, explosions, and fires.

f. Unfilmed: **Copies of Records of the Governor of the Territory of New Mexico, Sept. 16, 1852-Apr. 30, 1853** (1 vol., 2 in.). Chiefly handwritten copies of correspondence and proclamations of Gov. William Carr Lane, these documents are arranged by subject. Among the subjects covered are disputes with military authorities, and the Mexican boundary. A few items are in Spanish.

8. OKLAHOMA TERRITORY, 1890-1907 (Filmed, M828, 5 rolls). Related subject classified files of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, 1905 and 1907-12, and two record items dated 1918, found in Record Group 126, Records of the Office of Territories, are reproduced on Roll 5 of the publication.

a. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning Miscellaneous Subjects, 1890-1907** (3 ft.). Among the subjects covered are the administration of Territorial funds; Territorial government and statehood; public lands; administration of the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of the Territorial government; elections; the State constitutional convention; county public works projects; incorporation of towns and municipalities; mental hospitals; agricultural experiment stations; control of liquor distribution and gambling; quarantine laws; public schools and colleges; the oil industry; the famine of 1890; artesian wells; conflicts between cattlemen and farmers; and the quelling of local civil disturbances in 1892 and 1894. In addition to letters, this series includes reports, copies of legislation, opinions of the Territorial attorney general, affidavits, petitions and other legal documents, and copies of agreements between Territorial officials and local banks to establish depositories for Territorial funds.

b. **Letters Received and Other Records Relating to the Advertisement of the Cherokee Outlet Land Opening, 1889-94** (1 in.). These letters, telegrams, newspaper clippings, and printed materials concern Presidential proclamations, land schedules, selection of newspapers, and payment for advertising.

c. **Letters Received Relating to the Advertisement of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Strip Land Opening, 1892-94** (1/4 in.).

9. UTAH TERRITORY, 1850-1902 (Filmed, M428, 6 rolls). [RG 46: Utah, 1849-70 (M200, roll 15); RG 59: Utah, 1853-73, (M12, 2 rolls)].

a. **Transcripts of Executive Proceedings, Mar. 1877-Dec. 1893** (10 in.). Transcripts for July-December 1887 are missing.

b. **Letters Received and Other Records Relating to Miscellaneous Subjects, 1850-1902** (5 in.). These letters, reports, petitions, proclamations, and related records concern Territorial organization and administration, provision of books for the Territorial library, reclamation matters, and statehood. The records date from 1850 to 1896, with a single letter received in 1902 forwarding a copy of the State constitution. The first item in the series is a petition dated

January 1, 1850, signed by citizens of Salt Lake City protesting an effort by a group of Mormons to organize a State named "State of the Desert."

c. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning Polygamy, 1879-97** (5 in.). Included are reports, newspaper clippings, printed material, processed forms, copies of Territorial legislation, and other records relating to the practice of polygamy; passage and implementation of the Edmonds-Tucker Act, approved March 22, 1882, prohibiting polygamy; the work of the Utah Commission; and related matters. Many of the letters received were addressed to the President and subsequently forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior.

d. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning the Construction of the U.S. Penitentiary at Salt Lake City, 1885-96** (5 in.). These letters, reports, contracts, specifications, building plans, and other records concern the establishment of a board to write specifications and review plans, the purchase of land and water rights, the examination of construction work, and related subjects.

e. **Reports and Other Records Relating to Coal Mine Inspections, 1892-96** (5 in.). Primarily monthly mine inspection reports submitted by Mine Inspectors Robert Forrester and J.B. Rawlings, this series also includes letters received, copies of notices, copies of instructions to mine inspectors, and opinions of the Assistant Attorney General for the Department of the Interior relating to the intent of a law approved March 3, 1891, concerning mine safety.

10. WASHINGTON TERRITORY, 1854-1902 (Filmed, M189, 4 rolls). [RG 46: Washington, 1853-68 (M200, roll 15); RG 59: Washington, 1854-72 (M26, 2 rolls)].

a. **Transcripts of Executive Proceedings and Related Correspondence, 1877-89** (8 in.). Among the topics covered by the correspondence are the establishment of a fishing station at Point Roberts, citizen action following a series of murders, and the report of a possible Indian attack on Camp Harney.

b. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning Miscellaneous Subjects, 1854-90** (3 in.). These letters, reports, specifications, bids, proclamations, newspaper clippings, and other records concern subjects such as the admission of Washington Territory as a State; construction, repair, improvement, and furnishing of public buildings, especially the Territorial capitol; collection of internal revenue; and extradition of criminals.

c. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning the Territorial Penitentiary at McNeil Island, 1867-73, 1888** (2 in.). These letters, land records, buildings proposals, and other documents, 1867-73, concern the selection of a site for the Territorial penitentiary and its construction. Included are briefs of land titles, deeds, notifications of settlement on public lands, construction specifications, bids, vouchers, and a copy of the 1871 report of the penitentiary commissioners. The 1888 documents consist of a new deed for the penitentiary site, issued to correct an error in the description of the boundaries, and a letter of transmittal. Some records of the penitentiary, part of Record Group 129, Records of the Bureau of Prisons, have been reproduced as National Archives Microfilm Publication M1619, *McNeil Island Penitentiary Records of Prisoners Received, 1887-1951* (4 rolls). These and other records of the penitentiary, which are in the custody of the National Archives--Pacific Northwest Region, Seattle, WA, are described in *The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-1912, Part II, A Guide to Records of the Department of Justice for the Territorial Period.*

d. **Letters Received Concerning the Lynching of an Indian in British Columbia Allegedly by American Citizens, May 8-July 17, 1884** (1/2 in.). These letters from the Department of State and from Gov. W.A. Newell of Washington Territory concern the lynching of "Indian Jack," the supposed murderer of a citizen of Nooksack, Washington Territory. The Governor's letter of May 21, 1884, includes transcripts of several communications received and sent by his office following the lynching, which occurred in February 1884.

e. **Letters Received Concerning the Anti-Chinese Disturbances, 1885-87** (1 in.). One of the primary causes of the disorders was the hostility of labor unions, small employers, and unemployed whites against the use of Chinese as cheap contract labor by local manufacturers and industries. The records consist chiefly of letters and telegrams relating to the expulsion of Chinese from Tacoma and the suppression of anti-Chinese disturbances in Seattle. Included are letters from the minister of the Chinese Legation in Washington, DC; proclamations issued by the U.S. President and the Governor of Washington; and a memorial from the King County Board of Commissioners seeking reimbursement for expenses incurred in quelling the Seattle disturbances.

f. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning the Penitentiary at Walla Walla, 1892-**

1902 (5 in.). These letters, reports, plats of proposed building sites, bids, photographs, and other records relate to land acquisition, appropriations, selection of an architect, and other subjects concerning the addition of a cell wing to the State penitentiary building at Walla Walla.

11. WYOMING TERRITORY, 1870-90 (Filmed, M204, 6 rolls). [RG 46: Wyoming, 1869-71 (M200, roll 19); RG 59, Wyoming, 1868-73 (M85, 1 roll)].

a. **Transcripts of Executive Proceedings and Related Correspondence, 1878-90** (3 ft.). Copies of the official letters sent by the Territorial Governors to Federal and Territorial officials and to private individuals accompany the proceedings. Proceedings for the period July-October 1878 and copies of the letters for the periods July 1878-January 1879 and January 1881-February 1882 are missing.

b. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning Miscellaneous Subjects, 1870-90** (3 in.). These letters and reports concern the provision of law books for the Territorial library, the authority of Territorial officials to charge for services rendered in the course of their official duties, maintenance of Yellowstone National Park, reapportionment of the Territorial legislature, admission of Wyoming as a State, and other matters relating to Territorial administration. Letters for 1874-75 are missing.

c. **Letters Received and Related Records Concerning the U.S. Penitentiary at Laramie, 1870-90** (8 in.). Missing from this series are records for 1879-85; the 1870-78 records concern the construction of the original wing of the penitentiary, and the 1886-90 records concern repairs of the existing facility and construction of an additional wing. The records consist of letters and reports relating to congressional appropriations, selection of a building site, appointment of a superintendent of construction, and related matters, together with plats of the penitentiary site, abstracts of bids, building specifications and plans, and copies of contracts with builders. Also included are statements, affidavits, and reports concerning charges against Superintendent of Construction Melville C. Brown, relating to a conflict of interest arising from his approval of certain bids for erection of the penitentiary.

Blueprint drawings for penitentiaries in Idaho, North Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming are among the cartographic records described in 48.251.

Records Relating to Attorneys and Agents

48.109 By an act of July 4, 1884, Congress authorized the Secretary of the Interior to prescribe rules and regulations governing the recognition of attorneys and agents representing claimants before the Department and to require applicants for recognition to submit evidence of competence and good moral character. The Secretary could suspend or exclude from further practice before the Department persons who failed to adhere to the rules and regulations or to meet the qualifications. Attorneys and agents were also required to take oaths of allegiance. Among the records mentioned below are some relating to suspensions and disbarments before the formal procedures for recognition were established. For the records after 1907 concerning attorneys and agents, see File No. 21 of the central classified files (48.235).

48.110 Persons residing in all areas of the United States applied to the Secretary of the Interior for recognition. However, because access to the records is by name of individual only, there is no easy way to determine the names of the individuals who applied from a given State or Territory. The main series, **records concerning admitted attorneys and agents, 1884-1907** (62 ft.), consists of letters received, oaths of allegiance, statements, completed questionnaires, and other records concerning attorneys and agents who fulfilled the regulations authorized by the 1884 act of Congress. These records are arranged chronologically by year and thereunder by file number assigned in order of receipt of original papers. Before July 1886 file numbers for miscellaneous letters received (48.73) were used. Thereafter, a special set of "docket numbers," starting over each year, was used. Although no formal index to these records has been found, **rolls of attorneys and agents, 1884-1923** (4 vols., 10 in.), may be used as an informal substitute. The entries for individuals give name, status as attorney or agent, sometimes an address, file number among the records described above until 1907 and thereafter date of admission, and occasionally notations of later actions. Entries in the volumes are arranged in alphabetical sections by the first two or three letters of the surname of the attorney or agent. Names and addresses of individual applicants may also be determined by consulting four 3- by 5-inch card **indexes to attorneys and agents, 1869-1943** (25 ft.). Each of the indexes, including one to suspended and disbarred attorneys and agents, is arranged alphabetically by surname. Because no file references are

given on the cards, names gleaned from the indexes must be checked against the rolls to determine whether related records exist.

48.111 Other series concerning attorneys and agents are listed below. Unless otherwise noted the records are arranged chronologically.

1. **Letters Received Relating to Recognition of Attorneys and to Criminal Charges Brought Against Them, 1851-80** (3 ft.). These are arranged for the most part alphabetically by initial letter of surname or subject of case or action and thereunder chronologically.

2. **"Special Files" Concerning Pension Attorneys, 1869-80** (4 in.). Arranged by surname of attorney, thereunder for the most part chronologically, these files involve disbarment or suspension.

3. **Letters Received Relating to Fees and Recognition of Attorneys and Agents, 1850-80** (6 in.). These documents are arranged chronologically, except that letters referred by the Secretary to the Commissioner of Pensions are frequently enclosed with the Commissioner's reply.

4. **Roll of Suspended and Disbarred Attorneys and Agents, ca. 1869-1926** (1 vol., 2 in.). Entries are arranged in alphabetical sections by the first two or three letters of the surname of attorney or agent.

5. **Letters Sent Concerning Recognition of Attorneys and Agents, 1884-1907** (62 ft.).

6. **Orders of the Secretary of the Interior Disbarring Attorneys and Agents, 1876-86** (2 in.).

7. **Orders Disbarring Attorneys and Agents, 1887-1907** (3 in.).

8. **Records Concerning Rejected Applications for Admission as Attorneys and Agents, 1884-1907** (10 in.). These documents are arranged alphabetically by surname of applicant.

9. **Records Concerning Uncompleted Applications for Recognition as Attorneys and Agents, 1884-1907** (2 ft.). These documents are arranged in alphabetical groupings by surname of applicant.

Records Relating to Expositions

48.112 Described below (48.114-48.118) are records relating to expositions held in the United States in which the Department of the Interior participated. The Department presented exhibits at these expositions as part of Government exhibits, and at some of them was in charge of exhibits presented by Indian Territory, Alaska, and Hawaii. Typically Congress established a board to manage Federal participation in an exposition, and the Department of the Interior delegated a representative to that board. The representative usually handled work in Washington, DC, and another departmental official was put in charge of the department's exhibit work on the exposition grounds. For the special (Territorial) exhibits, in addition to an official in Washington and one at the exposition, another official was sometimes appointed to work chiefly in the area presenting the exhibit. Many of the records are those of the officials assigned to exposition work rather than records of the Patents and Miscellaneous Division. For the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, the Assistant Secretary of the Interior served as chairman of the Government Board of Managers, and records of the Board were retained by the Office of the Secretary of the Interior. Additional information about the expositions is found in the Division's miscellaneous letters sent (48.87 and 48.88). Since these records are peripheral, minimal information is provided here. Detailed descriptions of the records and data about the departmental representatives are provided in the Hill and Jaussaud inventory. Additional records relating to expositions are included in Record Group 43, Records of International Conferences, Commissions, and Expositions, and they are described in *The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-1912: Part I, A Guide to Records of the Department of State for the Territorial Period*, and *Preliminary Inventory of the Records of United States Participation in International Conferences, Commissions, and Expositions* (PI 76); supplement (NC-95).

Architectural Records

48.113 Filed with the cartographic records apart from the textual records are **building plans relating to expositions, 1893-1915** (50 items). Included are building plans and related items for the following: the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago, IL, 1893 (1 item); the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis, MO, 1903-4 (14 items); the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition in Portland, OR, 1903-5 (15 items); and the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition in Seattle, WA, 1908-9 (7 items).

The World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition, New Orleans, LA, 1884-85

48.114 Three series of records document departmental participation in this exposition.

1. **Press Copies of Letters Sent by the Office of the Commissioner of Railroads, Aug.-Sept. 1884** (1 vol., 1 in.).

2. **Index to Vouchers, 1884-88** (1 vol., 1/4 in.), and **Register of Vouchers, 1884-88** (1 vol., 2 in.). The vouchers have not been found.

The World's Columbian Exposition
Chicago, IL, 1893

48.115 The Department of the Interior was represented on the Board of Control and Management of the U.S. Government Exhibits and presented an exhibit at the Exposition. Departmental participation is documented by one series:

Letters Received and Other Records, 1891-94 (2 in.).

The Louisiana Purchase Exposition
St. Louis, MO, 1904

48.116 The Department of the Interior presented a departmental exhibit and was in charge of exhibits presented by Indian Territory and the District of Alaska.

General Records

1. **Registers of Visitors, 1904** (11 vols., 1 ft.).

2. **Publicity and Procedural Material, 1903-4** (1 ft.).

Records concerning the Interior Department Exhibit

3. **Letters Received by and Other Records of the Departmental Representative of the Government Board of Exhibit, 1901-6** (1 ft.).

4. **Records of Chief Special Agent James C. Boykin, 1903-5** (7 in.). Boykin, who was stationed in St. Louis, was in charge of the Interior Department exhibit.

5. **Letters Sent by the Departmental Representative on the Government Board of Exhibit, 1901-7** (2 vols., 2 in.).

6. **Letters Sent From St. Louis Concerning the Departmental Exhibit, 1904** (1 vol., 1 in.).

7. Fiscal Records: **Letters Sent by the Departmental Representative Concerning Vouchers, 1902-6** (1 vol., 1 in.); **Register of Vouchers, 1902-6** (1 vol., 1 in.); **Vouchers, 1902-5** (6 in.); and **Bills of Lading, 1904-5** (1/2 in.).

8. **Photographs, 1904** (3/4 in.). These show the departmental exhibit areas.

Records Concerning the Indian Territory Exhibit

9. **Letters Received by the Office of the Secretary of the Interior Relating to the Indian Territory Exhibit, 1903-6** (8 in.).

10. **Letters Sent by the Office of the Secretary of the Interior Relating to the Indian Territory Exhibit, 1903-6** (1 vol., 1 in.).

11. **Letters Received by the Executive Commissioner of the Indian Territory Exhibit, 1903-4** (1 ft.).

12. **Miscellaneous Records of the Executive Commissioner of the Indian Territory Exhibit, 1903-4** (6 in.).

13. **List of Contributors, 1904** (1 vol. and unbound papers, 1 in.). Arranged mostly by name of town, these records identify the persons who funded the exhibit.

14. **Ledger of the Executive Commissioner, 1903-4** (1 vol., 1 in.), and **Vouchers, 1903-4** (3 in.).

15. **Photographs, 1902** (1 in.). Nine prints show the Indian Territory building and exhibit areas.

The Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition
Portland, OR, 1905

48.117 The Department of the Interior presented a departmental exhibit and was in charge of an exhibit presented by the District of Alaska.

General Records

1. **Publicity and Procedural Material, 1905** (2 in.).

Records Concerning the Interior Department Exhibit

2. **Letters Received by and Other Records of the Departmental Representative on the Government Board, 1904-6** (4 in.).

3. **Letters Sent by the Departmental Representative on the Government Board, 1904-7** (1 vol., 1 in.).

4. **Letters Sent by the Departmental Representative Concerning Vouchers, 1905-6** (1 vol., 1 in.).

5. **Records of Chief Special Agent James C. Boykin, 1905** (2 in.). Boykin, who was stationed in Portland for this exhibit, had charge of the Interior Department exhibit.

6. Fiscal records: **Ledger, 1905-6** (1 vol., 1 in.), and **Vouchers, 1905-6** (2 in.).

7. **Photographs, 1905** (1 in.). These images are arranged by exhibit.

Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition
Seattle, WA, 1909

48.118 The Department of the Interior had a departmental exhibit at the exposition and was also in charge of exhibits presented by Alaska and Hawaii. The records relating to the exposition include records of the Government Board of Managers. Other records of the Board are in Record Group 54, General Records of the Treasury Department.

Records of the Government Board of Managers

1. **Minutes of Meetings and Final Report of the Government Board of Managers, 1908-10** (1 vol., 2 in.).

2. **Records of Jesse E. Wilson, Chairman of the Government Board, 1908-10** (4 in.).

3. **Correspondence and Other Records of William M. Geddes, Secretary and Disbursing Officer of the Government Board, 1908-10** (1 ft.).

4. **Letters Sent, 1908-10** (1 vol., 1 in.).

5. **Notifications of Appointment, 1908-9** (1 vol., 1 in.).

Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior Concerning the Exposition

6. **Records of James C. Boykin, 1909** (7 in.).

7. Fiscal records consisting of **Ledgers, 1908-11** (3 vols., 3 in.), and **Vouchers, 1908-11** (2 ft.).

Records of the Lands and Railroads Division

48.119 The Secretary of the Interior had general supervisory control over the administration of the public domain, but the General Land Office was the operational bureau in charge, its work being the survey, disposal (by sale, grant, or reservation for public purposes), and to some extent, the protection of the public domain. Originally the handling of communications between the Secretary and the General Land Office was assigned to particular clerks in the Office of the Secretary; in about 1870 the Lands and Railroads Division was established within the Office of the Secretary to handle the work. The work conducted mainly concerned surveys, boundary delimitations, and the establishment and discontinuance of land offices; the administration of the Homestead Act and other laws relating to land sales, including private land claims, disputed entries, and townsites; land grants to States; withdrawal of land from entry and the establishment of reserves, including Indian reservations; and investigation of depredations on the public domain, especially the removal of timber. Much of the work related to appeals to the Secretary resulting from decisions of the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

48.120 A Pacific Wagon Road Office operated in the Office of the Secretary until wagon road work was temporarily discontinued at the beginning of the Civil War. It was succeeded in 1865 by an Engineer Office established to resume work on the Government wagon roads and to handle matters relating to the Pacific railroad and land-grant railroads; this office was replaced in 1867 by the Pacific Railroad Division which about 1870 was absorbed by the Lands and Railroads Division. The new division assumed the work involved in aiding the construction of railroads through Federal land grants and the construction of wagon roads. The records of the Pacific Wagon Road Office, Engineer Office, and Pacific Railroad Division were for the most part maintained separately from those of the Land and Railroads Division.

48.121 In 1895 the staff work concerning the Secretary's responsibility for management of forest reserves was transferred to the Lands and Railroads Division from the Patents and Miscellaneous Division. Ten years later, jurisdiction of the forest reserves was transferred from the Department of the Interior to the Department of Agriculture. The Lands and Railroads Division also did some work concerning the geological surveys, although the surveys were primarily the responsibility of the Patents and Miscellaneous Division. From the late 1880's to 1902, however, the Lands and Railroads Division was responsible for matters concerning the Geological Survey's work involving the reclamation of arid lands. In 1902 the Reclamation Service was established under the jurisdiction of the Survey. When the Lands and Railroads Division was abolished as part of the 1907 reorganization, most of its functions, including

those involving railroad rights-of-way, were transferred to the General Land Office and the Reclamation Service (Bureau of Reclamation). For later records concerning matters that had been handled by the Lands and Railroads Division, see File Nos. 2 and 8 of the central classified files (48.235).

General Records

Letters Received and Related Records

48.122 Public buildings, Indian affairs, Territorial administration, pensions, U.S. marshals and attorneys, and registers and receivers are just a few of the many subjects discussed in the Division's **letters and other communications received, 1849-81** (6 ft.). The majority of the records relate to land claims and cases, suspended entries, military and other reservations, Mexican boundary surveys, removal of land offices, and other land matters. These letters, opinions, decisions, congressional resolutions, petitions, estimates, and other documents were received from the President, Congress, Attorney General, Assistant Attorney General, Treasury Department, War Department, State Department, Navy Department, Post Office Department, General Land Office, Office of Indian Affairs, and other offices and persons. The records are arranged for the most part alphabetically by name of office of writer or by subject and thereunder chronologically. A "miscellaneous" segment consists chiefly of letters recorded in the "miscellaneous" section of the registers of letters received relating to railroads (48.144). Many of the earliest letters were registered by other divisions of the Office of the Secretary and are not entered in the registers maintained by the Division. Letters from certain sources or relating to particular subjects were registered and sometimes filed separately. Most letters from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, for example, were registered separately and filed separately (48.125), as were most letters received concerning railroads (48.148). Some letters are also registered in volumes described in 48.124, 48.144, and 48.147.

48.123 Letters that could not be filed under any of the headings established for the preceding series of incoming communications make up the **"miscellaneous" letters received, 1849-80** (5 ft.). These letters, arranged for the most part alphabetically by initial letter of surname or position of writer and thereunder chronologically, are from Members of Congress, special commissioners, State and local officials, entrymen, attorneys, and others and relate to land surveys, sales and entries, land contests and appeals, private land claims, State selections, railroad and canal lands, Indian lands, land for ex-soldiers, geological surveys, timber depredations, land officers, appointments, and many other subjects.

48.124 Most of the documents filed in the two series of incoming letters described in 48.122 and 48.123 are recorded in the general **registers of letters received, 1849-80** (12 vols., 2 ft.). The entries in the volumes are arranged mostly in alphabetical sections by initial letter of surname or name of position of writer and thereunder chronologically by date of receipt. Included are separate sections for letters received from executive departments and sometimes from other offices. Letters dealing with boundary surveys were entered in separate **registers of letters received concerning boundary surveys, 1849-62** (2 vols., 4 in.). The entries are arranged for the most part alphabetically by initial letter of surname or name of office of writer and thereunder chronologically. Some letters from Government offices and from the Commissioner of the United States and Mexico Boundary Survey are entered in separate sections; some letters for the period January-September 1858 are entered chronologically. One volume is for the years 1849-58 and consists almost entirely of entries for letters concerning the Mexican, Texas, California, and other boundaries.

48.125 The **letters received from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, 1849-82** (20 ft.), relate to legislation, land and boundary surveys, land sales and entries, frauds, land contests and appeals, State selection, military bounty lands, railroads and canal grants, Indian lands, private land claims, military and lighthouse reservations, timber depredations, land offices, personnel, accounts, and many other subjects. Reports and other documents are often included as enclosures. The letters are arranged for the most part chronologically by date of letter. Beginning in 1864, file numbers were assigned to letters in order of receipt and recorded in the **registers of letters received from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, 1853-82** (8 vols., 1 ft.). The numbering system was started over in each volume. Also available is a **subject index to letters received from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, 1879-80** (1 vol., 1/2 in.), with entries arranged alphabetically by initial letter of subject and thereunder by file number.

48.126 The **letters received, 1881-1907** (149 ft.), are arranged by year and thereunder by file number assigned chronologically in order of receipt. Sometimes, especially after May 1895, letters were assigned the same file number as, and filed with, an earlier related letter; during some periods a second set of "serial numbers" was assigned in strict chronological order. The letters are from the Commissioner of the General Land Office (after 1882), the President, the Attorney General, the Commissioner of Railroads, the Director of the Geological Survey, Members of Congress, other Federal officials, State and local officials, officials of railroad companies, attorneys, and others. The many subjects covered include legislation, land surveys, land entries, land contests and appeals, frauds, depredations on the public domain (especially of timber), railroad land grants and rights-of-way, Indian lands, private land claims, swamp lands, school lands, coal and mineral lands, forest reserves, military reservations, townsites, irrigation and reclamation, grazing, fencing, geological surveys, administration, and many other subjects. Included--usually as enclosures--are reports, maps and plans, specifications, bids, vouchers and other accounting records, legislative bills, printed copies of Executive orders and proclamations, lists, clippings, and other records.

48.127 Before April 5, 1906, the letters received were recorded in **registers, 1881-1906** (53 vols., 10 ft.). Letters received after April 5 were recorded in a **list of letters received, Apr.-Dec. 1906** (1 in.), containing entries arranged chronologically and giving the file number, name of office of writer, and subject of letter. The register entries are arranged for the most part chronologically by date of receipt. File numbers were assigned in order of entry and started over each year. As noted above, beginning in 1895 letters were sometimes registered with a related letter received earlier and therefore were assigned the same file number. A second set of numbers, called "serial numbers," was used during some periods to identify all letters in order of receipt; however, these numbers frequently were not indicated in the registers.

48.128 Two sets of indexes exist for the 1881-1907 letters. Entries in bound **indexes to letters received, 1881-1902** (10 vols., 2 ft.), are arranged in rough alphabetical order by subject or by surname of individual. Entries give file numbers of letters and, beginning in 1883, the numbers of the volumes in which they were registered. Two volumes were used for each of the years 1881 and 1882, one for letters from the Commissioner of the General Land Office and the other for all other letters. Thereafter, each volume covers all letters received by the Division for a period of several years. A 4- by 6-inch **card index to letters received, 1903-7** (17 ft.), is arranged in rough alphabetical order by subject or by surname of writer. Sometimes a secondary alphabetical subject breakdown was used. Entries for individual letters within a heading or subheading are listed for the most part chronologically by date of receipt of letter. Entries give file number, date of letter, subject of letter, and sometimes an indication of action taken and volume and page reference to the press copy of the reply.

48.129 The disposition of Indian lands is a subject common to three series. Chronologically arranged **letters, telegrams, and letters received from Inspector Caleb F. Davis, 1889-93** (1 in.), relate to the Sioux Reservation in South Dakota, Chippewa Indian lands in Minnesota, the opening to settlement of the Cherokee Outlet in Indian Territory and of lands formerly owned by Cheyenne and Arapaho, fraudulent land surveys and entries in California and Washington, timber depredations, and other subjects. The openings of the lands of the Cheyenne and Arapaho and other tribes in Oklahoma also figure in the **letters and reports received from Special Land Inspector Eugene F. Weigel, 1891-92** (1 in.). Other subjects include timber reservations and the inspection of several land offices and national parks. **"Papers from the Secretary's Room," 1854-1906** (1 ft.), relate to the opening of the Cherokee Outlet and of other Indian lands, legislation, land contest areas, townsites, railroads, fraudulent entries and charges against land office officials in Oklahoma and other places, and many other subjects. Most of the documents are not registered or indexed. The records are chiefly letters received from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the Attorney General, Members of Congress, Territorial and local officials, inspectors, attorneys, entrymen, and others, but some reports, memorandums, copies of letters sent, affidavits, petitions, transcripts of testimony, lists, clippings, and returned unclaimed letters are also included.

Letters Sent and Related Records

48.130 The Division maintained two general series of letters sent: handwritten and typed copies (1849-1904) and press copies (1854-1907). The press copies are chiefly duplicates for the period 1849-

1904, but they also include some letters for the period 1854-1904 not found elsewhere. Through 1885 the majority of outgoing communications constituting the **letters sent, 1849-1904** (307 vols., 53 ft.), were copied and bound for the most part in chronological order (vols. 1-53). Thereafter, letters to the Commissioner of the General Land Office constituting decisions in cases appealed to the Secretary of the Interior from the Commissioners, or in reviews of such cases, were copied in volumes designated "Decisions," while other letters sent were copied into volumes labeled "Miscellaneous." The two sets of volumes are filed together in one chronological run. Many letters relating to the cases are found in the miscellaneous volumes, but only the decisions of the Secretary were copied into the decision books. Volumes 1-31 (1849-80) are indexed by surname of addressee and in varying detail by subject. For the years 1881-1905, separate bound **indexes to letters sent, 1881-1903** (7 vols., 2 ft.), and a 4- by 6-inch **card index to letters sent, 1901-5** (12 ft.), were maintained.

48.131 The letters are addressed to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the President, the Attorney General, other members of the President's Cabinet, Treasury Department officials, Members of Congress, the Director of the Geological Survey, special commissioners, field officials of the General Land Office, other Federal officials, State and local officials, officials of railroad companies, attorneys, claimants to land, and others. They relate to legislation and appropriations, land surveys, disposal of public lands as provided by the Homestead Act and other laws, contested land entries, withdrawal of land from entry and establishment of forest and other reserves, military reservations, railroad lands and rights-of-way, land grants to the States, Indian lands, private land claims, depredations on the public domain (especially of timber), townsites, geological surveys, irrigation and reclamation, establishment and abolishment of land offices, appointments and other personnel matters, accounts, and many other subjects. The letters in this series have been reproduced as National Archives Microfilm Publication M620 (310 rolls).

48.132 Beginning in 1881 and thereafter, most of the letters sent carry references to related incoming correspondence and, for decisions, entries in the appeal docket books (48.136). Also found on most copies is a reference to the location of the press copy of the same letter. Once begun, the series of **press copies of letters sent, 1854-1907** (606 vols., 64 ft.), largely duplicates the series of letters sent and continues it after the handwritten (or typed) copies were discontinued. The arrangement scheme of the two series is similar, and the addressees and subjects for the years 1904-7 are generally the same as those of the earlier letters. This press copy series is more nearly complete, however, because it includes letters for several periods before 1905 for which no handwritten copies appear to have been prepared. Starting with "Volume 73, July 1879," most of the volumes are indexed by subject and (except in the decision volumes) by surname of addressee. The card index mentioned above (48.130) covers the volumes for 1901-5. Some of the volumes for 1907 are labeled as having been kept by the Assistant Attorney General and include letters about enrollment of Indians and other matters not specifically relating to land or railroads.

48.133 Some of the press copies that duplicate handwritten copies of letters concerning surveys of the boundaries between the United States and Mexico, Texas, and California, constitute the **letters sent concerning boundary surveys, 1849-61** (2 vols., 4 in.). The first volume, 1849-58, which was started by the Department of State and transferred to the Department of the Interior in December 1849, relates entirely to the Mexican boundary survey; the second volume, 1858-62, originally used to record letters concerning the Texas boundary survey, was also used for letters relating to the other surveys. Beginning in 1857 the letters were prepared by the Pacific Wagon Road Office. The letters were sent to members of the President's Cabinet, Members of Congress, Treasury Department officials, the Superintendent of Public Printing, boundary commissioners and surveyors, Governors of States, and others. Other pertinent records concerning the Mexico and Texas boundaries are found in Record Group 76, Records of Boundary and Claims Commissions and Arbitrations, and described in *The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-1912: Part I, A Guide to Records of the Department of State for the Territorial Period*, and *Preliminary Inventory of the Records Relating to International Boundaries* (PI 170).

48.134 Illegal construction of fences, fraudulent land entries, investigations of land offices, railroad lands, and national parks are among the subjects covered by **press copies of confidential letters sent to inspectors and others, 1886-93** (1 vol. and unbound papers, 1 in.). The letters are arranged chronologically, and the bound letters are indexed by surname

of addressee. **Confidential letters sent, Dec. 15, 1896-Mar. 5, 1897** (1 vol., 1 in.), addressed to Cabinet officers, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and other important individuals, concern railroad lands, surveys, irrigation rights-of-way, and other related topics. The letters are arranged chronologically, and most of them are signed by the Secretary of the Interior. Letters to the chairmen of the House and Senate public lands committees and other committee chairmen make up the **press copies of letters sent to Members of Congress concerning legislation, 1896-1907** (5 vols., 7 in.). Each volume contains an index to subjects and surnames of addressees. Other letters to Members of Congress are found in the two main series of letters sent by the Division. Information concerning proposed legislation is provided in the **"Histories of Bills and Joint Resolutions," 1899-1907** (5 vols., 5 in.). Three volumes concern Senate bills and resolutions for the 56th, 58th, and 59th Congresses and two volumes cover House bills and resolutions for the 59th Congress. The entries, which are arranged by bill or resolution number, give the subject of each piece of legislation and information concerning the action taken. Each volume is indexed by subject.

Miscellaneous Records

48.135 Although some opinions and decisions are found in the general series of letters received (48.122) and letters sent (48.130), several series are concerned only with these judgments. Handwritten copies of **opinions and decisions, 1849-55** (1 vol., 2 in.), of the Secretary of the Interior and opinions of the Attorney General, arranged chronologically and indexed by subject, concern claims, land contests, bonds of receivers, and other subjects. Entries in a **register of decisions and opinions of the Secretary of the Interior, Mar. 19, 1906-July 30, 1907** (1 vol., 1 in.), give the docket number of the case appealed from the Commissioner of the General Land Office or the file number of the pertinent letter received and subject (usually the name of parties in the cases). The entries are chronologically arranged by date of decision or opinion. Also arranged chronologically are **opinions of the Assistant Attorney General for the Department of the Interior, 1886-1901** (2 in.). These opinions, most of which were withdrawn from the general series of letters received (48.126), relate to interpretation of laws, land entries, private land claims, railroad land grants, school selections, forest reserves, and other subjects. Earlier opinions of the Assistant Attorney General are among the records described in 48.122. **Abstracts of opinions of the Assistant Attorney General for the Department of the Interior** (1/2 in.), cover the period 1885-1906 and concern land entries, railroad lands, forest reserves, reclamation, and many other subjects. The abstracts are arranged chronologically by date of opinion and indexed by subject.

48.136 Appeals to the Secretary of the Interior resulting from decisions of the Commissioner of the General Land Office are recorded in three series of appeal docket books. Some documents submitted concerning the appeals are interspersed among various series, but these docket books often provide the only record of an appeal. Entries for 1859 and 1860 in **appeal docket books, 1859-75** (2 vols., 3 in.), are arranged by case number; later entries are arranged in rough chronological order by date of presentation. Most entries give names of parties, name of land office, date of presentation of appeal, date of disposal, and indication of action, with some action notations dated as late as 1881. Each volume is indexed by title of case or surname of appellant. Entries in **appeal docket books, 1875-1907** (36 vols., 8 ft.), are arranged by docket number assigned in order of receipt of appeal. Each of the first nine volumes contains an alphabetical index to surnames of parties. The information provided varies from entry to entry but may include docket number, names of parties, land office, State or Territory, names and addresses of attorneys, decision of the Commissioner and its date, name of appellant, date of receipt of appeal, dates of actions, and a citation to the copy of the decision of the Secretary among the handwritten copies of letters sent (48.130). Entries in an **appeal docket book, 1861-64** (1 vol., 1 in.), are recorded chronologically in the following sections: accounts and decisions of the First Comptroller of the Treasury, Indian affairs, patents, pensions, and land. Information provided includes name or office of appellant or of person transmitting appeal or inquiry, date of receipt, subject, and actions taken. Some entries concern questions submitted as early as 1855.

48.137 Three series concern various aspects of public land sales. **Statements of public land sold, Oct. 1848** (1/4 in.), provide data for each land office, showing the number of acres sold during three time periods (1847, the first and second quarters of 1848, and the third quarter of 1848), the amount of purchase money, the amounts received in various

forms, and the amount of incidental expenses. Also given for each time period is a statement of payments made into the Treasury. The efforts of entrymen to obtain refunds of money paid for land are recorded in **registers of repayment cases, 1858-80** (2 vols., 3 in.). The entries in each volume, arranged alphabetically by surname of claimant and thereunder chronologically, give date reported, name of claimant, land office, receipt, and date of action. Some disputed railroad selections and other land entry contests are dealt with in the **records concerning land entry cases, 1862-71** (2 in.). The memorandums and drafts of legal opinions, with notations of the decisions of the Secretary of the Interior, that constitute this series are arranged in rough chronological order.

48.138 Illegal land entries are the concern of some of the **records relating to timber trespasses and fraudulent land entries, 1877-82** (6 ft.), arranged for the most part alphabetically by surname or name of position of investigating agent, writer of letter, defendant, or other person concerned and thereunder chronologically. The records, chiefly letters and reports received from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the Attorney General, special agents to investigate trespasses, registers and receivers, attorneys, defendants, and others, concern investigations, legal proceedings, financial settlements, and other activities relating to illegal removal of timber from public and Indian lands and, to a lesser extent, to fraudulent land entries. Included are records concerning land surveys in California and charges against Surveyor General Theodore Wagner. Most of the documents in this series are registered and indexed as part of the general incoming correspondence (48.124, 48.127, and 48.128). Chronologically arranged letters and reports make up the **records relating to timber trespasses in Oregon, 1890-99** (2 in.), and chronologically arranged entries in a **register of actions concerning timber trespass cases, July 5, 1900-May 1, 1901** (1/4 in.), record the name of parties concerned, the State, the quantity and value of timber, the date, and file references to pertinent letters received and sent (48.126 and 48.130-48.131). **Records concerning investigations of Special Inspector A.R. Greene, 1901-7** (10 in.), consist of letters and reports from Greene, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the Attorney General, and others relating to investigations of fraudulent land surveys and entries in Oregon, Kansas, and other States, and the prosecution of cases. Many other records concerning timber depredations and fraudulent land entries are among other series of letters received (48.123, 48.125, 48.126, and 48.129), and among letters sent (48.130-48.132).

48.139 The investigation and litigation of alleged fraudulent entries are the focus of the **records concerning desert land entries in the Visalia, CA, District, 1877-97** (2 ft.). Among the records, which are arranged in part in rough chronological order and in part by type of document, are letters received, reports, affidavits concerning character of land, other affidavits, transcripts of testimony, briefs, lists, and maps and plats. Many of the records relate to the case of the *United States* v. *James B. Haggin*.

48.140 In March 1896 the U.S. Supreme Court decided that Greer County was not part of Texas but was under the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States, and shortly thereafter, Greer County was added to Oklahoma Territory. An act of Congress of January 15, 1901, was intended to settle certain problems arising from this decision by requiring the Secretary of the Interior to determine the true intersection of the 100th meridian with the Red River, to determine the land patented by the State of Texas to Greer County for school purposes, and to ascertain the receipts and expenditures of Texas on account of Greer County. The Secretary's report on the latter issue was published as H. Doc. 571, 57th Congress, 1st session (Serial 4377). The **records concerning Texas and Greer County, 1901-3** (7 in.), relate to the enforcement of the 1901 act and include letters, land patents, statements, certificates, vouchers, and some accounts dating as early as 1886 that were submitted by Texas as evidence. The records are arranged in part in rough chronological order and in part by type of document.

48.141 Several series of records relate to Oklahoma Territory. **Records relating to the opening of Oklahoma for settlement, 1889-92** (5 in.), arranged in rough chronological order, include letters, reports from Inspector John A. Pickler and other inspectors, petitions, maps, newspaper clippings, and other records relating to townsites, organization of counties and of municipal governments, land offices, land entries, charges against officials, maintenance of order and the use of troops, and other subjects. Some documents were registered and indexed as part of the general incoming correspondence of the Division (48.127 and 48.128). **Account books concerning Oklahoma town lot funds, 1901-7** (12 vols., 1 ft.), record transactions concerning the use of proceeds from the sale of town lots in Anadarko, Hobart, and

Lawton for the maintenance of county governments and public improvements as provided by an act of Congress of March 3, 1901. The accounts are arranged alphabetically by name of town and thereunder in rough chronological order. Most of the volumes contain an index to firms and surnames of persons concerned in transactions. Funds from the sale of town lots in Anadarko, Hobart, and Lawton were used to finance construction of courthouses and jails, schools, bridges, waterworks, and other structures for towns and three counties: Caddo, Comanche, and Kiowa. Information concerning the construction projects was recorded on 4- by 6-inch **data cards for municipal improvements in Oklahoma, 1901-6** (4 in.), arranged by name of city or county, thereunder by individual improvements and subjects, and thereunder in rough chronological order. Also included are cards for such subjects as contracts, bonds, cost, payments, insurance, and "progress." The final series in this group consists of letters, reports, orders, abstracts of expenditures, vouchers, and other **records concerning expenses of district courts in Oklahoma, 1902-3** (6 in.). The records are arranged in rough chronological order.

48.142 Decisions of judges in Washington, Dakota, and Wyoming Territories that were considered detrimental to public land policy are documented in **records relating to decisions of Territorial judges, 1885-86** (3/4 in.). Arranged mostly by surname of judge, the records include letters received, reports, memorandums, and newspaper clippings.

Cartographic Records

48.143 Several relevant series of maps are among the segregated cartographic materials. **Maps relating to States and Territories, 1875-1914** (21 items), include the following: General Land Office maps, dated 1897-1905, annotated to show national parks and forest reservations in Montana, Oregon, and Washington, and in parts of Idaho, South Dakota, and Wyoming; General Land Office maps dated 1907-11, bearing annotations pertaining to the survey of land in the Territories of Arizona and New Mexico and the States of California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming; General Land Office maps of Indian Territory, annotated to show boundaries of judicial districts in 1891 and the progress of subdivision in Choctaw, Creek, and Seminole Country to January 1, 1896; and military maps of Indian Territory, dated January 1875, bearing annotations pertaining to Indian tribes (one map is annotated to show locations of various tribes by certain treaties, acts of Congress, and Executive orders from 1831 to 1881, and Indian cessions and locations on ceded lands). **Maps relating to the Southern and Western parts of the United States, 1889-1915** (5 items), include a map of the western part of the United States, annotated to show workable coal lands withdrawn in 1906 and a graph of coal land withdrawals, restoration, and classification, dated July 24, 1907. **Maps and profiles relating to mineral lands, 1894-1900** (14 items) include an annotated blueprint map of Utah, dated 1894, showing in added color the mining districts, asphaltum beds, and coalfields; blueprint maps, dated 1899 and 1900, showing coal mines in Santa Fe and Colfax Counties in New Mexico; and tracings, dated 1898 and 1899, showing underground workings of coal mines near Madrid and Clarksville, New Mexico. Also in this series is an undated manuscript plat of mica mining claims in the Canon del Talco, Santa Fe County, New Mexico, and two soil profiles of coal mines in New Mexico.

Records Relating to Wagon Roads, Railroads, and Other Construction Projects

General Records, 1862-80

48.144 Between 1857 and 1870 three administrative units were successively created in the Office of the Secretary of the Interior to handle matters relating to wagon roads, railroads, and other construction projects: the Pacific Wagon Road Office, the Engineer Office, and the Pacific Railroad Division. Letters received by these offices are recorded in **registers of letters received concerning railroads and other subjects, 1862-80** (2 vols., 7 in.). Entries are arranged for the most part alphabetically by name of railroad company or other subject and thereunder chronologically by date of receipt of letter. Included in each volume are separate sections designated "Land Grants," "Right-of-Way Railroads," "Wagon Roads," and "Miscellaneous." The miscellaneous section in the first volume, which covers the years 1862-73, includes entries for letters relating to nonrailroad work of the Engineer Officer. The letters registered in these volumes that predate the establishment of the Lands and Railroads Division in about 1870 are usually not registered in the Divisions main series of registers (48.124 and 48.125); for the later

letters, the main registers usually contain at least a cross-reference to these railroad registers. The letters themselves are usually filed with the "Railroad Packages" (48.148). Some letters relating to land grants to railroads are recorded in the **register of miscellaneous letters received by the Engineer Office, 1866-67** (1 vol., 2 in.). Other letters are also registered in the volumes described below (48.147).

48.145 Letters concerning land-grant railroads, Pacific railroads, and wagon roads are found in the **press copies of miscellaneous letters sent by the Engineer Office, 1865-67** (1 vol., 1 in.). Included is a lengthy report (with many exhibits) to the Secretary of the Interior, dated November 23, 1865, from Lt. Col. James H. Simpson concerning the Union Pacific Railroad, the Central Pacific Railroad of California, the Northern Pacific Railroad, and wagon roads in the territories of Dakota, Idaho, Montana, and Nebraska. Many of these letters are copied in the volumes of letters sent concerning land-grant railroads (48.150) and Pacific railroads (48.149).

48.146 Before 1872, copies of letters sent concerning Pacific railroads, land-grant railroads, and wagon roads were maintained as the separate series described below. Letters for 1872 were consolidated in a series of **press copies of letters sent concerning railroads and wagon roads, 1872** (2 vols., 2 in.). Beginning in 1873, letters sent concerning railroads and wagon roads were copied in the general series of letters sent (48.132).

Records Relating to Railroads, 1849-1907

48.147 The Engineer Office recorded incoming letters concerning railroads in two registers: **register of letters received concerning land-grant railroads, 1865-67** (1 vol., 2 in.), and **register of letters received concerning Pacific railroads, 1865-67** (1 vol., 2 in.). Entries in these registers are arranged for the most part alphabetically by initial of surname or position of writer and thereunder chronologically. The Pacific railroads register contains a separate section for letters from the President. Later, letters received by the Pacific Railroad Division and the Lands and Railroads Division were recorded in a single **register of letters received concerning Pacific railroads, 1867-73** (1 vol., 2 in.). Some letters concerning land-grant railroads, wagon roads, and other subjects were also registered in this volume. Entries are arranged chronologically by date of receipt. Most of the letters recorded in these three registers are also entered in the first volume described in 48.144. The letters are usually filed with the "Railroad Packages."

48.148 Numbered **"Railroad Packages," 1849-1901** (18 ft.), are arranged for the most part alphabetically by name of railroad and thereunder in rough chronological order, with most of the records dated 1862-81. The contents of the packages consist chiefly of letters relating to land-grant and Pacific railroads received from the President, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, special commissioners, Army officers, Members of Congress, other Federal officials, Governors of the States, officials and Government directors of railroad companies, attorneys, and others. Also included are reports, copies of letters sent, opinions, decisions, certificates, minutes, affidavits, petitions, assignments, mortgages, briefs, memorandums, maps, appointments, oaths of office, estimates, inventories, and vouchers. The records relate to surveys, routes, rights-of-way (package nos. 183-188), land, land grants (nos. 100-108, 305-307), appointments of commissioners and Government railroad directors, finances, Pacific railroads in general (nos. 179-181), and many other subjects. The highest numbered packages consist chiefly of annual reports of the railroad companies to the Secretary of the Interior and reports of commissioners on the completion of sections of lines. Given below is a list of the railroads involved and the file numbers of the pertinent packages.

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe	3-7
Atlantic & Pacific	9-14½, 308, 333
Burlington & Missouri River	17-33, 334
California & Oregon	26-31, 335
Cedar Rapids & Missouri River	32
Central Pacific	33-46, 310, 336-337
Chicago & Northwestern	56
Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific (formerly Mississippi & Missouri)	57
Denver Pacific	58-59, 311, 334
Des Moines Navigation	60-62
Des Moines Valley	63
Dubuque & Sioux City	64
Hastings & Dakota	77
Iowa Falls & Sioux City	78
Kansas Pacific (formerly Union Pacific, Eastern Division)	80-98, 312

Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston	110-112
Little Rock & Fort Smith	113-116, 348
McGregor Western & McGregor & Missouri River & McGregor & Sioux City	122
Memphis & Little Rock	119, 334
Minnesota Central	120
Missouri, Kansas & Texas (formerly Union Pacific, Southern Branch)	126-142
Missouri River, Fort Scott & Gulf	142-145, 304
New Orleans, Baton Rouge & Vicksburg; and New Orleans Pacific	146
New Orleans, Opelousas & Great Western (Morgans Louisiana & Texas)	147
New Orleans Pacific	148
Northern Louisiana & Texas	155
Northern Pacific	156-171, 321, 338-339
Oregon & California	171a-174, 304, 347
Oregon Central (formerly Willamette Valley)	175-177, 347
Placerville & Sac Valley	178
San Francisco & San Jose	208-210, 334
Sioux City & Pacific	215-217, 313, 348
Sioux City & St. Paul	199, 304
Southern Minnesota	218-219
Southern Pacific	220-230, 236, 315, 340-341
St. Joseph & Denver	190-197
St. Louis & Iron Mountain	198
St. Paul & Pacific	200-207
Texas & Pacific	232-237, 314, 316
Union Pacific	238-268, 304, 317-320, 342-346, 348
Utah Central	269
Western Pacific	285-298, 304, 322, 348
Winona & St. Peter	302

For related maps, see 48.152. Additional files relating to most of the railroads mentioned above can be found among the records of the Commissioner of Railroads (RG 193), described in this guide, and the records of the General Land Office (RG 49).

48.149 Chronologically arranged handwritten copies of **letters sent concerning Pacific railroads, 1862-72** (3 vols., 7 in.), and some duplicates, **press copies of letters sent concerning Pacific railroads, 1865-71** (7 vols., 8 in.), relate to the determination of routes of Pacific railroads and branches, inspection and acceptance of construction, land grants, issuance of bonds to companies, and other subjects. The letters were sent by the Division and its predecessors to the President, Members of Congress, the Secretaries of Treasury and War, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, special commissioners, other Federal officials, State and Territorial officials, officials and Government directors of railroad companies, and others. Each volume is indexed by surname of addressee and by subject. The volume containing letters for 1872 includes some letters relating to land-grant railroads and to wagon roads (see also 48.146).

48.150 Handwritten copies of pre-1872 letters relating to land-grant railroads are in a combined series of **letters sent concerning land-grant railroads and copies of mortgages, 1866-84** (2 vols., 5 in.). The letters, 1866-71, are arranged chronologically, and each volume is indexed by name of addressee and by subject. The mortgages, 1879-84, with notations dated as late as 1900, are arranged separately in rough chronological order. The letters were sent to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the President, Members of Congress, special commissioners, Governors and other State officials, officials of railroad companies, attorneys, and others and relate to determination of routes, inspection of completed roads, issuance of patents, disputed titles to land, construction across Indian reservations, and other subjects. Some letters concern wagon roads, canals, and river improvement; also included for 1871 are copies of documents relating to mortgages of the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad Co. A few letters not included in this series are found in the series **press copies of letters sent relating to land-grant railroads, 1866-71** (4 vols., 4 in.), which consists chiefly of duplicates of the handwritten copies.

48.151 Information about railroads is also found in two additional volumes. The entries in a **list of "Right-of-Way Railroads," ca. 1898-1907** (1 vol., 1/2 in.), arranged alphabetically by initial letter of name of railroad, identify the State or Territory in which each railroad was incorporated and sometimes the date of filing of the articles of incorporation. Under "M" is a list of mortgages granted to railroads that includes volume and page references to copies of

mortgages recorded among records previously described (48.130-48.132, 48.149, and 48.150). The entries in the **register of railroad land selection lists, 1896-98** (1 vol., 3 in.), are arranged for the most part alphabetically by name of railroad and thereunder chronologically by date of list, with access to the entries facilitated by an alphabetical index by name of railroad included in the volume. The index entries give list number, limit (miles or reference to statute), number of acres, land district, amount of fees paid, and information concerning administrative handling. Some of the lists cited are in the National Archives among the records of Division "F" of the General Land Office in Record Group 49, Records of the Bureau of Land Management, but others are still held by the Bureau of Land Management. The dates given in the series title refer to the compilation of the register, which includes entries for lists dated as early as 1866.

Cartographic Records

48.152 Among the segregated cartographic materials is a series of **maps of railway systems and railroads in the West, ca. 1887-91** (3 items), which consists of manuscript maps, dated 1887 and 1891, showing the principal railway systems in the western part of the United States, and an undated oversize map annotated in color to indicate the various lines constituting the western railroad systems. Also available for the railroads listed below are the maps and/or related records indicated:

1. Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroad: Two items consisting of an undated manuscript map and a profile showing the location of the railroad in Kansas from Atchison to Sargent.

2. Atlantic and Pacific Railroad: Two items consisting of photographic reproductions of undated maps showing the location of the railroad and the land granted to the railroad in Arizona and New Mexico.

3. Burlington and Missouri River Railroad: One item, an undated manuscript profile in five sections showing grades of the railroad across Nebraska from Pacific Junction, IA, to Denver, CO.

4. Central Pacific Railroad: Five items consisting of an annotated blueprint, dated 1878, of a map showing the Central Pacific Railroad and its connections and leased lines in California, Nevada, and Utah; a manuscript map, dated 1885, of parts of California, Nevada, and Utah, showing lines controlled by the Central Pacific Railroad Company that were leased to the Southern Pacific Company (of Kentucky) as of April 1, 1885; and three manuscript maps and profiles, bearing affidavits of April 8, 1887, showing the constructed line of the Oregon Division of the Central Pacific Railroad (formerly the California and Oregon Railroad).

5. Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad: One item, an undated manuscript profile showing grades between Chicago, IL, and Pacific Junction, IA.

6. Colorado Central Railroad: One item, a printed map, dated 1878, with annotations showing the route of the railroad between Denver, CO, and Cheyenne, WY, by way of Greeley, CO.

7. Georgetown, Breckinridge, and Leadville Railroad: Two items consisting of an undated manuscript profile showing that part of the railroad from Station 50 to Station 190, in Colorado, and a blueprint map of the route along Clear Creek.

8. Hailey, Gold Belt, and Western Railroad: Two items consisting of a manuscript map and a profile, bearing affidavits of August 4, 1887, of the line in Idaho Territory from Haile to Camas No. 1 Mine.

9. Missouri, Kansas, and Oklahoma Railroad: One item, a 1902 blueprint map showing the route in Pawnee and Payne counties, Oklahoma Territory.

10. Nebraska and Colorado Railroad: Four items consisting of manuscript maps, dated 1885, showing the located line of the railroad.

11. New Mexico and Southern Pacific Railroad: Three items, ca. 1881-82, consisting of a blueprint map showing the location of the railroad in the vicinity of Raton Station and in adjoining townships; an accompanying blueprint, dated 1881-82, of sections of Raton Tunnel; and a blueprint map in three sections showing the location of the railroad from the 775th to the 865th milepost (from Las Vegas grant to T. 15 N., R. 6 E., New Mexico principal meridian).

12. Northern Pacific Railroad: One item, an undated manuscript map showing the line of the Pacific Division of the Northern Pacific Railroad in Washington.

13. Pueblo and Arkansas Valley Railroad: One item, an undated blueprint map in five sections showing the route of the railroad in Colorado from La Junta to Raton Summit.

14. Salmon Creek Railroad: Two items, ca. 1887, consisting of a manuscript map, bearing an affidavit of August 1887, of the Salmon Creek Railroad

in Mendocino County, CA, and a manuscript profile of the railroad.

15. Southern Pacific Railroad: Two items consisting of manuscript maps, bearing affidavits of May 29, 1883, of the Southern Pacific Railroad in Arizona and New Mexico.

16. Union Pacific Railroad: Six items, ca. 1865-90, consisting of an undated manuscript map and profile of grades of the Union Pacific Railroad from the Missouri River to Nevada; an undated manuscript map in three sections showing land granted to the Kansas Division of the Union Pacific Railroad; a printed map and a profile, dated 1865, showing the different routes surveyed for the Union Pacific between the Missouri River and the Platte River Valley; a manuscript map, certified February 26, 1872, showing the shortest and most practicable route for "the road through Kansas [and Nebraska] west of the meridian of Fort Riley to a junction with the Union Pacific Railroad, at the one hundredth meridian of Longitude West from Greenwich . . ."; and a blueprint map bearing a file mark including the date 1890, of the Union Pacific lines comprising the Pacific Division in Washington and parts of Oregon and Idaho, annotated in color to show the lines already constructed and those under construction.

17. Winona and St. Peter Railroad: One item, an undated manuscript map in two sections showing route of the Winona and St. Peters Railroad in South Dakota from Gary to Watertown, with the notation "State line to Big Sioux River" on the back of the map.

18. Worthington and Sioux Falls Railroad: One item, a manuscript map in four sections, certified May 1, 1879, showing the located line of the railroad from Sioux Falls, Dakota Territory, westerly to T. 102 N., R. 59 W., fifth principal meridian.

More detailed descriptions of these records are given in the Hill and Jaussaud inventory.

Records Relating to Wagon Roads, 1857-87

48.153 Letters, reports, journals, itineraries, field notes, maps, plans, abstracts of disbursements, statements of accounts current, property returns, time rolls, requisitions, vouchers, and newspaper clippings form the **letters received, accounts, and other records concerning wagon roads, 1856-87** (12 vols. and unbound papers, 7 ft.). The records, which relate to the location and construction of wagon roads, appointments, fiscal affairs, land grants, and other subjects, are arranged for the most part by name of road, not alphabetically, thereunder by subject or type of record, and thereunder in rough chronological order. Records are found for the following wagon roads: El Paso-Fort Yuma; Fort Kearney, South Pass, and Honey Lake; Fort Ridgely and South Pass; Platte River-Running Water River (Nebraska); Minnesota River-Big Sheyenne River; Niobrara-Virginia City; Virginia City-Lewiston; Big Sioux River-Big Sheyenne River; and Sioux City-Fort Randall. Also available are records relating to wagon roads in Oregon, miscellaneous wagon roads, and wagon roads in general. Most of these records have been reproduced as part of National Archives Microfilm Publication M95 (Rolls 3-16). The letters are recorded in **register of letters received concerning wagon roads, 1857-67** (1 vol., 2 in.), which also is reproduced in Microfilm Publication M95 (Roll 2). Entries in the register are arranged for the most part alphabetically by initial letter of surname of writer, thereunder chronologically. Some letters from other Government offices and from superintendents and disbursing agents of roads are entered in separate sections.

48.154 Handwritten copies of **letters sent concerning wagon roads, 1857-71** (1 vol., 2 in.), are arranged chronologically, but the series includes no letters for 1862-64. A separate **index, 1857-71** (1 vol., 1/4 in.), to surnames of addressees was maintained. Both volumes are reproduced in Microfilm Publication M95 (Roll 1). The **press copies of letters sent concerning wagon roads and boundary surveys, 1857-71** (6 vols., 5 in.), arranged chronologically, provide a more complete record although no letters for 1864 are included. The first volume, April 1857-August 1858, is indexed by surname of addressee and contains only letters relating to wagon roads. The next three volumes, 1858-63, contain letters relating to wagon roads and boundary surveys; and the two volumes for 1865-71 relate only to wagon roads. Most of the letters concerning wagon roads duplicate the handwritten letters, while most of the letters concerning boundary surveys are copies of letters previously described (48.133).

Cartographic Records

48.155 Filed with the segregated cartographic materials is a lithographed **map showing part of a wagon road to the Pacific, 1857** (1 item), and the location of wagon road camps and trading posts along

the route of the Western Division of the Fort Kearney, South Pass, and Honey Lake Road.

Records Relating to Reclamation Projects, 1889-1907

48.156 Records relating to specific reclamation projects, 1889-1907 (26 ft.), include letters received, copies of letters sent, specifications, proposals, contracts, bonds, vouchers, memorandums, plans, plats, abstracts of title, deeds, newspaper clippings, photographs, and other records relating to individual reclamation projects (including some abandoned projects). The records are arranged alphabetically by name of project; records for each project are filed under the following subject headings as appropriate: Withdrawal and Restoration, Condemnation and Purchase, Contracts, and Miscellaneous Correspondence. The records filed under these headings are often arranged alphabetically by more specific subjects, chiefly names of contractors and landowners. Records are available for the States and projects listed below:

1. **Arizona:** Little Colorado, Salt River, and Yuma
2. **California:** Orland, Owens River Valley, Pitt River, Sacramento Valley, Shasta Valley, Walker River, and Yuma
3. **Colorado:** Green River, Gunnison (Uncompahgre), Kremmling Reservoir, La Plata, Montezuma, Rouge Canyon Reservoir, and White River
4. **Idaho:** Bear Lake, Big Bend, Boise (see Payette), Dubois, Minidoka, Owyhee, and Payette
5. **Kansas:** Garden City
6. **Montana:** Crow Reservation, Lake Basin, Madison River, Malta, Marias River, Milk River, Musselshell, St. Marys River, Sun River, and Teton River
7. **Nebraska:** North Platte
8. **Nevada:** Humboldt, Muddy River, Truckee Carson, and Walker River
9. **New Mexico:** Carlsbad, Hondo, La Plata, Penasco, Rio Grande, and Urton Lake
10. **North Dakota:** Bismarck, Buford Trenton, Cherry Creek, Fort Buford (Lower Yellowstone, Yellowstone), Mouse River, Nesson, and Williston
11. **Oklahoma:** Cimarron, Navajo Reserve Site, and Red River
12. **Oregon:** Ana River, Chewaucan, Harney Valley, John Day, Klamath, Malheur, Owyhee, Silver Creek, and Umatilla
13. **South Dakota:** Belle Fourche, Box Elder, Cheyenne River, French Creek, and Little Missouri
14. **Utah:** Bear Lake, Green River, Provo, and Strawberry Valley
15. **Washington:** Big Bend, Chelan, Columbia River Basin, Methow, Okanogan, Palouse (Washtucna), Priest Rapids, Tieton, and Yakima
16. **Wyoming:** Big Horn, Cody (Shoshone), Lake De Smet, Minidoka, North Platte, and Sweetwater

Usually all records relating to an individual project carry the file number assigned when the initial documents concerning the project were registered as part of the general incoming correspondence of the Lands and Railroads Division (48.126); subsequent project documents are registered and indexed as general letters received (48.127, 48.128) but are not given new file numbers. Most copies of letters sent are among the general series of outgoing letters (48.130-48.132). Additional records relating to most of the projects mentioned above, some of them constituting quite extensive project files, are found in Record Group 115, Records of the Bureau of Reclamation.

48.157 The **"miscellaneous projects" records, 1901-7** (6 ft.), are also entered in the general series of indexes and registers and assigned file numbers from the Division's general incoming correspondence. Later letters concerning a subject are often filed with the first letter on that subject, and the records are arranged by file number. These letters received, copies of related letters sent, plats and maps, estimates, contracts, and other records relate to reclamation in general, individual projects (including abandoned projects), legislation, equipment and supplies, administration, and other subjects. Included are records concerning some of the same projects as those named above. For most copies of letters sent, see 48.130-48.132.

48.158 Both series of project records are covered by a 4- by 6-inch **card index, 1906-7** (6 ft.), to subjects and addressees of the correspondence concerning reclamation projects. The cards are arranged by year and thereunder for the most part alphabetically by project or subject. Cards for a specific project are filed together, arranged alphabetically by subject. Both series of project records are also covered by **two lists of reclamation projects and file numbers** (1/2 in.). One, an alphabetical list of projects, gives the primary file number assigned to each project; the other, a list of secondary file numbers for the records

1889-1907, gives the subject of each file, arranged by year and thereunder by file number.

48.159 Contracts and fiscal matters are documented in three series. The task of opening bids and recommending awards for contracts for construction work on reclamation projects fell to a Contract Board, whose members were appointed by the Secretary of the Interior. Press copies of the **reports of the Contract Board, Aug. 10, 1903-Mar. 3, 1904** (1 vol., 1 in.), are arranged chronologically. A **contract account book, 1903-7** (1 vol., 1 in.), contains abstracts of contracts and records of disbursements to contractors and an index to projects and contractors. The entries are arranged by project and thereunder by contract. **"Quarterly Statements and Estimates," 1904-7** (10 in.), submitted by the Chief Engineer of the Reclamation Service, are arranged chronologically. Each statement is a combination progress and financial report, work proposal, and estimate of costs of project construction.

48.160 Citizens of Idaho actively campaigned for reclamation projects in their State. A series of **petitions and agreements of landowners in the Boise and Payette Valleys in Idaho, 1903-4** (6 in.), consist of completed forms signed by individual owners asking the Federal Government to undertake reclamation work in their area and pledging to enter into contracts and to pay costs, as well as records relating to actions of local organizations and governments. Included are a few minutes of meetings, resolutions, newspaper clippings, and other records. Although no Federal reclamation projects operated in Minnesota, the Division's records include some **papers relating to the navigability of waterways in Minnesota, 1907** (1/4 in.). These consist of a legal history of laws and court cases and a copy of a law enacted by the State legislature in 1907 concerning the navigability of the State's rivers.

Records Relating to Des Moines River Land Claims, 1895-1906

48.161 In 1846 Congress granted certain lands along the Des Moines River to the Territory of Iowa to be sold to finance navigational improvements to the river. Lack of a clear definition of the extent of the grant led to considerable controversy. Nearly 50 years later, Congress appropriated $200,000 to adjust the claims of settlers on the Des Moines River lands. The act of August 18, 1894, provided that the Secretary of the Interior should appoint a special commissioner to investigate and report upon the claim. The Secretary of the Interior would make the final determination on some claims; other claims were to be reported to Congress. Robert L. Berner, appointed by the Secretary as special commissioner, made his report on January 21, 1896, and it was approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 1, 1896. Under the provisions of an act of July 1, 1898, the Secretary appointed John L. Stevens as a special commissioner to review a second category of claims and to investigate new claims. Stevens' report of August 16, 1900, was approved by the Secretary of the Interior on April 27, 1901. The Lands and Railroads Division processed the payments of awards as determined by Berner and Stevens. Berner's report, published as S. Doc. 258, 54th Congress, lst Session (Serial 3354), includes lists showing claimant's name and claim number, land description, and amount claimed. Stevens' report was printed in 1901 by the Department of the Interior under the title "In Re Claims of Des Moines River Land Settlers, Report of J.L. Stevens, Special Commissioner." For records concerning land grants to the Des Moines River Navigation and Railroad Co., see the "Railroad Packages" (48.148). Dockets containing correspondence relating to the Des Moines River Grant, 1846-1931, are among the records of the General Land Office, Division F, in Record Group 49.

48.162 Records relating to land claims allowed and rejected by Special Commissioner Robert L. Berner, 1895-99 (3 ft.), are arranged for the most part by claim number. Included are petitions of claimants, abstracts of title, affidavits, certificates, transcripts of testimony, decisions of the Commissioner, letters received, vouchers, and other records relating to claims for which Berner's decision became final when they were approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 1, 1896. The records after that date relate chiefly to the determination of heirs and the making of payments. Also included are copies of the reports of Berner and Stevens and some other general records. **Records relating to claims submitted to Special Commissioner John L. Stevens, 1895-1906** (10 ft.), also are arranged by claim number. For claims referred to Stevens by Berner, the numbers assigned by Berner were used; new claims were assigned new numbers. These records consist of petitions of claimants, abstracts of titles, affidavits, transcripts of testimony, decisions (opinions) of the Commissioners, orders of the Secretary of the Interior, letters received, copies of letters sent, and other

records relating to claims considered by Stevens under provisions of the 1898 act, including both new claims and claims previously investigated by Berner that were eligible for further consideration. The records include evidence presented to both Berner and Stevens and records relating to adjustments of claims, determination of heirs, and other matters that arose after Stevens had finished his work. A few records are dated later than 1906. Also included are copies of Stevens' reports and some other general documents.

48.163 Press copies of **letters sent, 1896-1900** (2 vols., 2 in.), chiefly to claimants and attorneys, relate to the payment of awards made by Special Commissioner Berner and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 1, 1896. Many form letters are included. The letters are arranged chronologically, and each volume contains an index to surnames of addressees and to a few subjects. Other letters concerning the claims are among the general series of letters sent by the Division (48.130-48.132).

48.164 Actions taken regarding the claims are recorded in docket books. Entries in the **docket book for payment of awards, 1896-99** (1 vol., 1 in.), for individual claims give the claim number, name and address of claimant, amount of award, legal land description, and notations of actions taken in processing the payment. The entries are arranged by claim number, and a list of payments is included. Entries in a later **docket book, 1900-1904** (1 vol., 2 in.), are divided into approved claims and rejected claims and are thereunder arranged by claim number. These entries record actions concerning claims submitted under provisions of the 1898 act and reported by Special Commissioner Stevens. Those for approved claims give the claim number, the name and address of claimant and sometimes the attorney involved, the amount allowed, and notations concerning the processing of the payment. For rejected claims, generally only the claim number, amount claimed, and name of claimant are given.

Records of the Indian Division

48.165 The records of the Indian Division date from 1849, although the Division was not formally established until about 1870. The Division was primarily a clerical unit for the handling of correspondence of the Secretary of Interior, but it also had some legal duties. The Secretary, whose supervisory responsibilities extended to such matters as legislation, estimates and appropriations, the negotiation and ratification of treaties, administrative organization, appointments and other personnel matters, and accounts, was also responsible for approving deeds, patents, leases, censuses, land allotment schedules, and contracts, and for many years, for authorizing individual expenditures. Acts of Congress sometimes assigned other specific responsibilities to the Secretary, who on certain occasions was required by Congress to report on particular matters. The Secretary also made recommendations to Congress concerning individual depredation claims. The Secretary was designated trustee for Indian trust funds, and from 1867 to 1876 a separate Indian Trust Fund Division operated within the Office of the Secretary. When physical custody of securities was transferred to the Treasurer of the United States in 1876, the Indian Trust Fund Division and the Indian Division were consolidated. The Secretary was also concerned with such matters as Indian schools, agriculture, health and sanitation, and routine administrative procedures but usually less immediately than in the areas mentioned above.

48.166 Most of the Secretary's correspondence concerning Indian affairs was conducted with the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Field officials of the Bureau normally reported to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs rather than to the Secretary, but much of the Commissioner's correspondence with the President, Cabinet members, Members of Congress, and other high officials was carried on through the Office of the Secretary. Also many persons without official position communicated directly with the Secretary. Many of the letters received by the Secretary were referred to the Bureau of Indian Affairs or sometimes to the General Land Office or other office for action and reply. The Indian Division was abolished in 1907.

48.167 Additional records relating to matters concerning Indian Territory and the Five Civilized Tribes are in the separate Indian Territory Division, which was established in the Office of the Secretary in 1898. Materials relating to Indian matters are also among the records of other divisions of the Office of the Secretary, particularly the Appointments Division. Most of the Secretary's records concerning Indian affairs after 1907 are under File No. 5 of the central classified files (48.235). Except in some areas in which the Secretary had particular concern, the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Record Group 75, are usually more detailed than those of the Indian Division. The records of the Bureau held by the National Archives before 1963 are described in the two-

volume *Preliminary Inventory Of the Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs* (PI 163), compiled by Edward E. Hill; some cross-references to Bureau records, using entry numbers from PI 163 to identify pertinent series in Record Group 75, will be found below. Extensive records of the former General Land Office concerning Indian lands are found among the records of the Bureau of Land Management, Record Group 49.

General Records

Letters Received and Related Records

48.168 Incoming correspondence makes up the bulk of the Divisional records. The **letters received, 1849-80** (109 ft.), relate to legislation, estimates and appropriations, negotiation and enforcement of treaties, investigations, claims (particularly for depredations), maintenance of order and military operations, disposition of land, agriculture, schools and education, missionary work, trade, liquor control, railroads, annuity goods, tribal funds, administration of the Indian field service, location of agencies, buildings, supplies and purchases, appointments and other personnel matters, contracts, accounts, and many other aspects of Indian administration.

48.169 The letters are arranged by source in the following order: War Department, 1849-80; Treasury Department, 1850-80; Executive (chiefly from the President), 1852-80; State Department, 1857-80; Attorney General, 1852-80; Commissioner of the General Land Office, 1862-80; Commissioner of Indian Affairs (transmitting for approval deeds for land sold by Indians in Kansas, 1869-77); Miscellaneous, 1849-78; Board of Indian Commissioners, 1873-80; and Commissioner of Indian Affairs, 1849-80. Most of the individual letters in each segment are arranged by date of receipt or date of letter. All of these letters, except those that were received from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, 1849-80, have been reproduced as National Archives Microfilm Publication M825 (32 rolls).

48.170 Starting in 1878, file numbers were assigned in order of receipt to letters in each segment, except the miscellaneous letters, beginning anew each year. For the miscellaneous letters, separate sets of file numbers were assigned according to the initial letter of the surname of the writer, thus creating the possibility of 26 different sets of file numbers for a given year. To simplify matters for purposes of the microfilm publication, the miscellaneous letters for 1878 that are reproduced in M825 were arranged chronologically instead of by file number. The letters received from miscellaneous sources during 1879 and 1880 are not included in the microfilm publication, because at some point they were combined with the letters received from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and arranged by file number to form one numerical sequence for each year. Thus all the letters for 1879 bearing the file no. 1 are placed together, followed by all the letters with the file no. 2, and so forth. The several sets of file numbers are differentiated by initials or abbreviations; for example, "I.O." (Indian Office) is used for letters from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. The miscellaneous letters are identified by the initial letter of surname of writer.

48.171 Most of the letters were received from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. The miscellaneous letters were received from diverse persons, including officials of other Federal agencies, Members of Congress, State and local officials, Indians, attorneys, businessmen, religious leaders, and other private citizens. Letters from superintendents, agents, and other field officers of the Bureau of Indian Affairs were usually transmitted to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs rather than to the Secretary of the Interior. Although they were sometimes referred to and retained in the Indian Division, the letters are more likely to be found among the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Record Group 75.

48.172 Enclosures are usually found with the letter of transmittal, except that letters referred to the Bureau of Indian Affairs or some other office and later returned may have been refiled in their original place. Many letters were referred elsewhere, most often to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and never returned. Some letters have no cross-reference to indicate such a referral, but a notation to that effect is usually found in the registers of letters received described below. Letters referred to the Bureau of Indian Affairs and returned or originally received by the Bureau and referred to the Secretary have Bureau file marks as well as those of the Indian Division. Some letters bear file numbers of other divisions of the Department of the Interior or of other agencies. Other letters have been removed from the general incoming correspondence and filed with other records of the Division, principally the letters received relating to trust funds (48.200) and the special files (entries 48.184, 48.186, and 48.202).

48.173 No name and subject indexes to the pre-1881 letters received were compiled, but the registers that are described below do serve as an index to the names of writers. Most of the letters concerning trust funds are entered in separate registers (48.198). Part of the incoming letters are recorded in the **registers of letters received, 1849-80** (14 vols., 2 ft.). For the most part, the entries are arranged in alphabetical sections by initial letter of surname or designation of office of writer and thereunder chronologically by date of receipt. Starting in 1871 the date of receipt was usually indicated, and in 1878 the use of file numbers was begun. Beginning in 1878 the letters registered in each alphabetical section for each year were numbered in order of date received. Separate sections were used to record letters of certain officials from whom a large number of letters was received. For the years 1849-55, separate sections were used for letters received from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Thereafter, letters from the Commissioner were entered only in separate registers.

48.174 Some chronological overlapping occurs between the main series of registers and the **registers of letters received from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, 1849-82** (10 vols., 2 ft.). The entries in the first volume (1849-53) are substantially the same as entries in the main series. For the years 1854 and 1855, however, letters from the Commissioner were registered only in the main series; from 1856 through 1882, they were registered only in these registers and not in the main series. Entries are arranged chronologically by date of letter or date of receipt. Starting in 1877 the date of receipt was noted, and beginning in 1878 file numbers were assigned in order of registration for each year. Letters from the Commissioner transmitting treaties with Indian tribes are also recorded in the **register of treaties, 1859-66** (1 vol., 2 in.). The entries are arranged alphabetically by initial letters of the name of the tribe or band. Each entry gives date of letter from the Commissioner, date of treaty, names of tribes or bands of Indians, and information concerning action taken with regard to congressional ratification of the treaty. Letters received from the Commissioner after 1861 concerning Indian trust funds were registered only in the registers described in 48.197. Starting in 1883, all incoming correspondence was registered in one series (48.178).

48.175 Other registers were maintained for short periods of time, but the entries they contain are usually duplicated in the two larger series of registers already described. Entries in a compilation of **abstracts of reports from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs to the Secretary of the Interior, 1867-69** (1 vol., 1/2 in.), arranged chronologically by date of report, give the date and subject matter of the report and sometimes the date of acknowledgment by the Secretary. Originals of the reports are with the pre-1881 letters received (48.168). The Bureau of Indian Affairs kept copies of the reports in letter books (see entry 85 in PI 163).

48.176 Most of the **letters received, 1881-1907** (183 ft.), are from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, but some letters are from the President, Cabinet members, Members of Congress, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Treasury Department officials, members of the Board of Indian Commissioners, Indian inspectors, other Federal officials, State and local officials, Indians, attorneys, businessmen, religious leaders, and others. Field officers of the Indian service other than inspectors usually reported to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs rather than to the Secretary of the Interior; consequently letters from those individuals most often are found as enclosures of letters from the Commissioner. The letters relate to legislation, estimates and appropriations, investigations, claims (particularly for depredations), enrollments, land sales, allotments, leases, schools and education, agriculture and irrigation, health and sanitation, trade, liquor control, maintenance of order, railroads, annuity goods, trust funds, administration of the Indian field service, personnel, buildings, purchases and supplies, contracts, attorneys, accounts, and many other aspects of Indian administration.

48.177 The letters are arranged by year and thereunder by file number assigned in order of registration. During 1881 and 1882 two sets of file numbers were used, one for letters from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the second for all other letters. The two sets of letters are interfiled. Letters referred to the Bureau of Indian Affairs and returned and letters originally received by the Bureau and referred to the Secretary may carry Bureau file numbers as well as Indian Division file numbers. A few unusually large items are filed out of order at the end of the series, including the following: report of the Ute Commission to investigate the murders at the White River Agency, CO (1880); proceedings of the Joint Commission on the Boundary between the Indian Territory and Texas (1886); report of the commission to divide the Sioux Reservation (1888); documents relating to a dispute between Dr. Charles East-

man and Capt. George L. Brown, Acting Agent at Pine Ridge Agency, SD (1892); report on the "Old Settlers" Cherokee case (1895); and reports of the Advisory Commission to Select Lands for Warner's Ranch Indians, Mission Agency, CA (1902). Some letters were withdrawn from the general file of incoming letters and placed in special files (48.184 and 48.186), but they were seldom replaced with cross-reference notices. Such withdrawals were noted in the registers of letters received, however. Also noted in the registers were referrals of letters to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, other divisions of the Office of the Secretary, and other agencies.

48.178 Entries in the **registers of letters received, 1881-1900** (47 vols., 9 ft.), are arranged chronologically by date of receipt and assigned file numbers for each year. During 1881 and 1882, letters from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs were registered in separate volumes (48.174) and assigned separate file numbers. Control over incoming letters received after November 2, 1900, was maintained by use of a **card index, 1900-1907** (16 ft.). The 4- by 6-inch cards are arranged by year and thereunder alphabetically by name or subject. A single card may have citations for several letters received from a person or relating to a subject. Individual entries give date of letter, file number, subject matter and often name of writer, and number of enclosures. Cards for agencies, schools, and tribes are often quite extensive. Single letters from persons with the same initial letter of surname are usually indexed together on a card. The card index is a continuation of bound **indexes to letters received, 1881-1900** (6 vols., 1 ft.), that also contain extensive entries for agencies, schools, and tribes. Two volumes cover the years 1881-82, one for letters received from the Bureau of Indian Affairs and one for all other letters. Thereafter, single volumes cover the following years: 1883-92, 1893-96, 1897-98, and 1898-1900.

Letters Sent and Related Records

48.179 Copies of the Secretary's replies to the incoming letters are transcribed in the **letters sent, 1849-1903** (121 vols., 21 ft.). The letters are addressed to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, the President, Cabinet members, Members of Congress, Treasury Department officials, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, inspectors, other Federal officials, State and local officials, businessmen, attorneys, Indians, religious leaders, and others. Included are some letters to superintendents, agents, and other field officers of the Indian service, but most letters to these persons other than inspectors were sent by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. These handwritten letters relate to legislation, estimates and appropriations, negotiation and enforcement of treaties, investigations, depredation and other kinds of claims, land surveys, reservations, land sales, enrollments, allotments, deeds, leases, railroads, agriculture, irrigation, mining, education, health and sanitation, conduct of Indians and military operations, annuity payments, trust funds, trade with Indians, liquor control, missionary work, administration of the Indian field service, appointments and other personnel matters, buildings, supplies, purchases, contracts, attorneys, accounts, authorizations of expenditures, and many other aspects of Indian administration. This series of letters sent has been published as National Archives Microfilm Publication M606 (127 rolls). Beginning in 1891 handwritten copies were no longer made of letters of authority to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and the following year the making of press copies of these letters was discontinued. The original letters of authority, 1880-1907, are among the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (entry 110, PI 163).

48.180 The letters are arranged chronologically by date of letter, except that from 1868 through 1882 letters to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs were kept in separate volumes from the other letters. The volumes are numbered. For the years before 1881, the individual volumes have indexes to surnames of addressees and subjects, although the subjects covered in the first three letter books are indexed in a separate volume. The indexes in the letter books vary in detail from volume to volume. Beginning in 1881 the indexes are separately bound as part of the series of **indexes to letters sent, 1849-61; 1881-97** (8 vols., 2 ft.). As noted, the first volume (1849-61) covers subjects mentioned in the first three letter books. Indexes for the years 1862-80 are in the individual letter books. For 1881 and 1882 two index volumes exist, one for letters sent to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and one for other letters. Thereafter, single volumes were used covering, respectively, the periods 1883-85, 1886-87, 1888-90, 1891-95, and 1896-97. These index volumes are reproduced as part of Microfilm Publication M606 (rolls 121-127). No indexes exist to the handwritten copies of letters sent after 1897, but a card index to press copies of the outgoing letters, 1897-1907, is available.

48.181 Through 1903 the **press copies of letters sent, 1854-1907** (168 vols., 26 ft.), largely duplicate the handwritten copies of letters sent. The subjects and addressees of the letters after 1903 do not vary significantly from those of the earlier letters described above. The press copies are arranged chronologically by date of letter, except that from 1879 through 1882 letters to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs were copied in separate letter books. The letter books contain sections for alphabetical indexes, but before 1892 they were seldom used. From 1892 to 1902 (vol. 118), the letter books include fairly detailed indexes to surnames of addressees and to subjects. Thereafter, access to the contents of the individual volumes is through a **card index, 1897-1907** (17 ft.). Entries on 4- by 6-inch cards are arranged by year and thereunder alphabetically by surname of addressee or subject. A single card may have citations for several letters sent to a particular person or relating to a given subject. Individual citations give date of letter, name or official position of addressee, subject matter, and volume and page reference. Cards for agencies, schools, and tribes are quite extensive.

48.182 Certain kinds of letters were recorded in separate letter books, including most letters relating to trust funds through 1880 (48.201) and letters sent to inspectors, 1880-82 (48.196). The contents of one letter book consist solely of handwritten copies of two relatively lengthy **letters sent concerning Sioux and Winnebago lands** (1 vol., 3/4 in.). The earliest letter, dated October 20, 1882, is addressed to the Commissioner of the General Land Office and concerns the definition of a "permanent Indian reservation." The second letter, dated January 26, 1883, is directed to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and concerns allotments for certain Winnebago Indians and intermarried whites. The text of the second letter is also found in both regular series of letters sent. Chronologically arranged **press copies of memorandums, 1888-1903** (2 vols., 2 in.), mainly from the Chief of the Indian Division to the Secretary of the Interior, concern reservations, allotments, special commissions, negotiations with Indians, irrigation, railroads, claims, expenditures, employees, and many other matters. Each volume contains an index to subjects. Also kept in separate volumes are copies of some form letters, namely **letters sent transmitting depredation claims to Congress, 1873-82** (3 vols., 7 in.). Most of the records transmitted were returned to the Bureau of Indian Affairs and filed with the records of the Bureau's Depredation Division (see entry 700, PI 163). Later, the Bureau transferred many of the papers to the U.S. Court of Claims.

Miscellaneous Records

48.183 A series called **miscellaneous records, 1838-1905** (1 ft.), consists of originals and copies of letters received by the Department and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, copies of letters sent, instructions, reports, memorandums, drafts of bills, opinions and decisions, transcripts of meetings, and other records relating to approximately 225 subjects. The records concern title to Indian lands, claims, conditions at agencies and schools, allotments, grazing, mineral and timber lands, goods and services, charges against agents, activities of commissions, appropriations, appointments of special agents and commissioners, Indian delegations, railroad rights-of-way, intruders on Indian lands, and other subjects. Most of the individual subject files are small, frequently containing only one or two documents, and are arranged in the order established by a numbered list of file titles. This list is available for use at the National Archives, but is too lengthy to duplicate here. The subjects covered by the files, however, may be determined from the index provided in the table (pp. 82-86), which was compiled specifically for this guide. The entries under each general heading give the number, subject, and date of each relevant file. Most file references are listed numerically by file number, but some of them are arranged alphabetically by name. Some files are listed under more than one heading. The general subject headings are numbered for indexing purposes. Although most records appear to have been created in or received by the Division, a few were forwarded from the Office of Indian Affairs.

48.184 Most of the files that constitute the **special files relating to negotiations with Indians, land matters, investigations, and other subjects, 1848-1907** (7 ft.), are more extensive than those that make up the miscellaneous records, although two files, Nos. 18 and 27, consist largely of single documents relating to numerous topics. Many of the subjects in this series are similar to those in the miscellaneous records, and the files are arranged in the same fashion. A list of subject headings is available for use at the National Archives. The files consist of letters received, copies of letters sent, reports, memorandums, council proceedings, schedules, newspapers and other printed matter, financial records, and other documents. The records concern negotiations with

Indians and activities of Commissions, Indian land and timber holdings, investigation of charges against Indian agents and officials, railroad rights-of-way, Indian prisoners, delegations, removal of Indians, and other topics. Also included are files relating to the administration of the Indian Division and appropriations for the Office of Indian Affairs. The subject index provided in the subparagraphs listed below gives some information regarding the contents of the individual files. Shown under each general heading are the number, date, and subject of each file. Some files are listed under more than one heading. The subject headings are numbered for indexing purposes.

1. **Agency and Reservation Matters**
   4 (Round Valley, 1871-73)
   9 (Lapwai, 1872-76)
   12 (surveys, 1875)
   18 (Hot Springs, New Mexico, ca. 1882)
   18 (Crow, 1884)
   18 (Crow Creek and Winnebago in Dakota, 1885)
   18 (Leech Lake, 1885)
   18 (Uncompahgre Ute in Utah, 1883)
   45 (Fort Belknap, 1903)

2. **Agents** (listed alphabetically)
   Morris Bridgeman, 45 (accounts, 1903)
   Douglas N. Cooper, 20 (bond settlement, 1853-60)
   A.W. Morris, 27 (application, 1896)
   Charles A. Ruffee, 21 (charges, 1866-82)
   E.P. Smith, 17 (charges, 1872-74)

3. **Annuities**
   2 (Wyandot, 1872-73)

4. **Boundary Surveys**
   12 (contracts, 1875)

5. **Businesses and Companies**
   18 (Barton & Wells, Pawnee supplies, 1883)

6. **Cattle**
   18 (slaughtered by Fort Peck Indians, 1881)
   18 (Chickasaw stock law, 1887)
   27 (in Cherokee Outlet, 1893)

7. **Charges**
   5 (against Thomas Murphy, 1868-69)
   17 (against E.P. Smith, 1872-74)
   21 (against Charles A. Ruffee, 1866-82)

8. **Claims: General**
   9 (W.G. Langford, 1872-76)
   18 (I.G. Baker against Fort Peck Indians, 1881)
   18 (W.P. Adair and C.N. Vann, against Osage, 1883)
   18 (Wichita claim, 1883)

   Claims: Depredation
   18 (Against Kiowas, 1886)
   18 (James Bainter, 1884)
   18 (George S. Comstock, 1884)

9. **Commissions**
   1 (Sioux, 1863)
   3 (Indian Peace Commission, 1867-68)
   18 (Ute, 1882)
   18 (Oto, 1883)
   24 (Chippewa, 1895-97)
   26 (Dawes Commission, 1892-99)
   30 (Cherokee, 1887-89)
   34 (Red Cloud, 1872)
   36 (Southern Ute, 1888)

10. **Contracts**
    12 (boundary and reservation surveys, 1875)

11. **Delegations**
    35 (Sioux, 1891)

12. **Disturbances**
    22 (Crow, 1887)

13. **Freedmen**
    4 (Seminole, 1870-75)
    18 (status under 1866 Choctaw and Cherokee treaties, undated)
    27 (payment, 1897)

14. **Inspectors**
    21 (J.M. Haworth, 1866-82)
    22 (Frank C. Armstrong, 1887)
    37 (duties, 1884-89)

15. **Intruders**
    18 (pipestone quarry, 1883)
    27 (Cherokee, 1893)

16. Investigations
25 (Gov. Frank Frantz, Oklahoma Territory, 1906)

17. Judicial Matters
2 (Albert Wiley v. Keokuk, 1868-70)
18 (lists of approved attorneys, ca. 1885)
27 (Choctaw, power of chief to commute or stay death sentence, 1893)
27 (Delaware and Shawnee suit, 1896)
27 (judicial district, Indian Territory, undated)
37 (decisions, 1884-89)

18. Land Matters
4 (Osage, 1872)
9 (claim, Lapwai, 1872-76)
14 (Potawatomi, 1864-67)
18 (allotments, Klamath, 1888)
18 (allotments, Oto, 1883)
18 (lists of grazing leases, 1883)
18 (Mille Lac Reservation, 1879-83)
27 (allotments, Cherokee Outlet, 1873)
38 (appraisal and survey contracts, 1872-74)
39 (appraisers, 1871-74)
44 (allotments, under 1862 treaty with the Kickapoo, undated)

19. Liquor
2 (seizures and arrests in Dakota and Indian Territories, 1873)

20. Military Matters
7 (Osage in Kansas, 1873-75)

21. Mines and Mining
18 (coal fields, Sioux Reservation, 1888)

22. Opinions of Attorney General
18 (status of mixed-bloods, undated)
37 (1884-89)

23. Persons Not Mentioned in Other Entries (listed alphabetically)
W.P. Adair, 18 (claim against the Osage, 1883)
I.G. Baker, 18 (claim against Fort Peck Indians, 1881)
R.V. Belt, 37 (1884-89)
Big Tree, 8 (1871-73)
W.J. Burns, 25 (1906)
Pardon Dodds, 18 (settler, Uncompaghre Ute Reservation, 1883)
G.W. & W.G. Ewing, 13 (restoration of license to trade, 1848-50)
William N. Hailmann, 23 (Superintendent of Indian Schools, 1894-96)
Abram C. Hatch, 18 (settler, Uncompaghre Ute Reservation, 1883)
James McLaughlin, 25 (1906)
Satanta, 8 (1871-73)
C.N. Vann, 18 (claims against the Osage, 1883)
William S. Willes, 18 (settler, Uncompahgre Ute Reservation, 1883)
J. George Wright, 24 (1895-97)

24. Prisoners
8 (Kiowa chiefs in Texas, 1871-73)
15 (Fitzpatrick children, 1870)
18 (Mescalero Apache, transfer from Alabama to New Mexico, 1889)

25. Railroads: General
16 (Indian Territory, 1874-78)

Railroads: Rights-of-way
18 (Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, 1883)
18 (Northern Pacific Railroad, 1884)
27 (Choctaw, Oklahoma, and Gulf Railroad Co., 1895)

26. Removals
27 (Southern Ute, 1894)

27. Schools
18 (Cheyenne & Arapaho Agency, 1883)
23 (status of Indian schools, 1894-96)

28. Settlers
18 (on Uncompahgre Ute Reservation, 1883)

29. Superintendents
5 (Thomas Murphy, charges, 1868-69)

30. Supplies
18 (Pawnee, 1883)
35 (Sioux, 1891)

31. Taxation of Indians
2 (Kansas, 1865-71)

32. Timber:
18 (Crow, 1883)
24 (Chippewa, 1895-97)
43 (Chippewa, 1873)

33. Transportation
41 (1884-93)

34. Treaties and Agreements
18 (Choctaw, 1866)
18 (Moses Agreement, 1883)
32 (Delaware, 1866).

35. Tribes - Files Not Listed in Other Entries
(listed alphabetically)
Cherokee, 27 (treaty obligations, 1895)
Chickasaw, 18 (1883)
Creek, 18 (loyal Creeks, 1882), 27 (meeting with, 1893)
Delaware, 27 (1897)
Kickapoo, 6 (Mexican, 1867-73)
Modoc, 10 (1873)
Utes, 11 (1873-79)

Most documents in these files were withdrawn from the Division's letters received (48.168 and 48.176).

48.185 Closely related to Special File No. 3, records relating to the Indian Peace Commission, are the **proceedings of the Indian Peace Commission, 1867-68** (2 vols., 3 in.). These reports provide additional documentation of the work of a Commission that was appointed to investigate the cause of widespread Indian hostilities and to negotiate with the various tribes. The reports are arranged chronologically in each volume. Each volume also includes a separate section of copies of outgoing letters. Other records relating to the Commission, including an official copy of the treaty of April 29, 1868, with the Sioux, are among the "irregularly shaped papers" of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (entry 310, PI 163). File 68 contains the treaty and copies of talks, councils, and letters; file 99 is a copy of a presidential commission authorizing Generals William S. Harney, William T. Sherman, and Alfred H. Terry to aid the peace commissioners.

48.186 Like most of the documents found in the previously described series of special files, the letters received and other records that make up the 13 **special files relating to claims, 1855-92** (1 ft.), were withdrawn from the Division's incoming correspondence. Included are copies of letters sent, reports, statements, and other records relating to claims against Indians for depredations, and payments for goods and services, as well as records pertaining to claims and charges brought by Indians concerning land holdings and frauds. The files are arranged by subject, and the documents within each file are arranged chronologically. A list of the subject headings is available for use at the National Archives, and an abbreviated list of the numbers and subjects of the pertinent files is given below:

No. 1, Outrages upon settlers in Cherokee neutral lands, 1869.

No. 2, Claim submitted by John W. Wright, Cherokee representative, 1866-70, and charges brought against him for bounty land fraud, 1876.

No. 4, Claims against the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians presented by the firm of McDonald & Fuller and by Charles F. Thebo, 1866-68.

No. 5, Eastern boundary of the Choctaw and Chickasaw lands and removal, 1858-73.

No. 7, Claim of Agnes Beth for New York Indian Land in Kansas, 1891-92.

No. 8, Accounts of the Rev. E.W. Sehon, Methodist Episcopal Church South, for boarding Indian children at various schools, 1854-65.

No. 9, Claims for Sioux depredations submitted to Cyrus Aldrich, Commissioner, 1862-66.

No. 10, Claim of John Richard for supplies furnished to the Sioux at Red Cloud Agency, 1872.

No. 11, Depredation claims of Stephen Nixon and others against Indians in Utah, 1856-64.

No. 12, Claim of Abelard Guthrie against the Wyandot and Shawnee Indians in Kansas, 1872.

No. 13, Claim of Crawford, Reynolds, et al., against the Cheyenne and Arapaho, 1890-91.

48.187 Claims were recorded in two series. The **record of claims allowed by the Board of Indian Commissioners, 1873-80** (2 vols., 5 in.), covers claims for compensation for goods and services furnished that the Board submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for approval. Entries for individual claims give claim number, name of claimant, amount of claim, date of transmittal, date of receipt, nature of claim, and date of approval. Also included are some entries for contracts. The entries are arranged by claim number assigned in order of receipt. The volumes are labeled as Nos. 3 and 4, but no other volumes have been found. Volume 3 contains two sets of entries with the second set, a continuation of

the first, being written in red ink in spaces between the earlier entries. The entries in Volume 4 are a continuation of the red ink entries. Entries in the **register of depredation claims, 1882-85** (1 vol., 1 in.), record claims for compensation for depredations committed by Indians. The inclusive years shown are those of departmental action; the depredation may have been committed and the claim presented much earlier. The claims were submitted by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and entries in the register are arranged by file numbers assigned to the transmittal letters from the Commissioner when they were received in the Division. Entries for individual claims give file number of letter from the Commissioner, name of claimant, address, amount of claim, date of depredation, place committed, date of presentation of claim, tribe accused, amount recommended by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, amount allowed by the Department, amount disallowed, and the dates of departmental action and of referral to the Speaker of the House of Representatives for consideration by Congress. Researchers interested in investigating claims adjudicated by the U.S. Court of Claims and the Indian Claims Commission should consult Records of the U.S. Court of Claims (RG 123) and Records of the Indian Claims Commission (RG 279).

48.188 Two series reflect the Department's involvement in the legislative process. A **reference book concerning legislation, 1882-84** (1 vol., 1/4 in.), contains mostly references to letters sent (48.179 and 48.181) to the President and Members of Congress concerning bills. Also given are references to published executive documents and other resources. The entries are arranged in alphabetical sections by subject and thereunder by session of Congress. Bills received from Congress for report were recorded in **registers, 1895-1907** (2 vols. and unbound papers, 2 in.). Entries in the unbound papers (1895-97) are arranged by source, i.e., there is a section for House bills and another for Senate bills, and thereunder by file number assigned when the documents were received in the Indian Division. Entries in the first volume (1898-1903) are arranged by session of Congress, with separate sections thereunder for House bills and Senate bills. The arrangement of entries in the second volume (1905-7) is reversed, with entries in sections for House bills and Senate bills being arranged by session of Congress. No records for 1904 are found in this series.

48.189 Four series relate to land allotments. Copies of correspondence, reports, affidavits, transcripts of testimony, and other documents make up the **records concerning Umatilla allotments, 1886-97** (1 vol., 2 in.). The originals of most of these records concerning certain disputed allotments on the Umatilla Reservation in Oregon are enclosures of two letters received by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in 1896 and 1897 that constitute file 129 of the "irregularly shaped papers" in Record Group 75 (entry 310, PI 163). A **record of ownership of Puyallup allotments, 1895-1906** (1 vol., 1 in.), was compiled in connection with sales of allotted land under provision of an act of Congress of March 3, 1893. Entries for individual allotments are arranged by patent number and give the name of the original allottee, reference to the approval of the appraisement and the sale, notations of changes in ownership (usually because of deaths), and other information. Notations concern actions of a general nature relating to the sales for the period 1893-1904. Related records in the Land Division of the Bureau of Indian Affairs include schedules of consents to sales (see entries 378-481, PI 163). Letters received and sent by the Indian Division concerning allotments and land sales are identified in a **data book, Apr. 1887** (1 vol. and unbound papers, 1 in.), and a **register of sales of inherited lands, 1902-6** (1 vol., 3 in.). Entries in the data book refer to incoming and outgoing letters (48.176 and 48.179) relating to land allotments at certain Indian agencies: Umatilla, Warm Springs, Devils Lake and Lake Traverse, and Jicarilla. Entries in the register identify letters received (48.176) and letters sent (48.181) concerning the sales of allotted land that had been inherited from the original allottee. Entries in both volumes are arranged alphabetically by name of Indian agency, with those in the register being further arranged by date of departmental action. The register also includes an index to the names of the agencies covered by the volume. Among the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs are several sets of rosters documenting the service of superintendents and agents, field officials and Indian and white employees, school employees, and Indian police (entries 974-985, PI 163).

48.190 Also arranged alphabetically by name of agency are the entries in a **register of agency employees, Nov. 10, 1894** (1 vol., 1 in.), which was prepared in the Bureau of Indian Affairs and transmitted to the Secretary on November 12, 1894. Entries for white employees give name, position, salary, State from which appointed, name of person recommending the employee, and efficiency rating (as de-

termined from reports of inspectors). For Indian employees only name, position, and salary are given. Included is an index to names of agencies and a few other stations listed at the end of the volume.

Records Relating to Inspections, 1878-1907

48.191 Inspectors for the Indian service were first appointed by the President on July 1, 1873, under the provision of an act of Congress (17 Stat. 437), approved on February 14, 1873. Initially, the inspectors were responsible to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, but after March 25, 1880, they came under the supervision of the Secretary of Interior. The 1873 law provided for the appointment of five Indian inspectors, one for each of the five geographical inspection divisions. In keeping with the law, each Indian agency was visited by an inspector at least once a year, preferably twice a year by alternate inspectors. The inspectors were to fully investigate all matters pertaining to the conditions of the Indians, including "their advancement in civilization"; the boundaries of the reservations; the use made of reservation lands; the state of industry (usually the percentage of farming and grazing done by Government employees and Indians); the character and abilities of the agent and other employees; conditions of the school; the status of agency fiscal records; and the enforcement or violation of the law. Inspectors had the power to suspend superintendents, agents, or other employees, and to designate a temporary replacement, subject to approval by the President. Inspectors were also authorized to examine all agency books, papers, and vouchers and to administer oaths for the purpose of taking testimony from agency employees.

48.192 The main series of records consists of **reports of inspections of the field jurisdictions of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1880-1907** (60 ft.), prepared by inspectors for the Indian service and submitted to the Secretary of the Interior. These reports are arranged in two chronological segments, 1880-1900 and 1901-7, thereunder alphabetically by name of Indian agency, and thereunder chronologically by date of report, and concern all matters relating to the Indians, the reservations, agencies and schools, Government employees, and law enforcement. During the 1890's many inspection reports were submitted on a printed form showing for agency employees name, title, residence, age, sex, rate of compensation, nature and extent of services performed, comments on character, education, personal habits, and qualifications or fitness for the position occupied. Other topics covered in the written reports include the health of the Indians; the receipt of rations; the removal and treatment of Indians by agents and other officials; traders; Indian courts; repairs needed to buildings; conditions of dormitories, kitchen, and dining rooms; the water supply; fire protection; and sanitation and drainage. Special reports made in response to directives from the Secretary of the Interior were not uncommon. These reports concerned a wide variety of subjects but were generally related to charges or claims made by individuals against agents or employees or to changes in personnel at agencies. Often the inspector wrote a separate report for an agency and each of its day schools and mailed them as one unit to the Secretary. When these reports were received, each was registered as a separate item.

48.193 The inspection reports originating during the 1873-80 period usually consisted of one document, the basic report. Many of those submitted to the Secretary of the Interior after 1880 became quite bulky, often consisting of the basic report and several enclosures. A typical sequence of documents in such an inspection report file is as follows: the letter returning the report to the Secretary of the Interior from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, the endorsement page, the synopsis of the report prepared in the Indian Division, the basic report, numbered or lettered exhibits, and miscellaneous materials. Not all of these items are found for each inspection file; in some cases, only the synopsis of a report is found. In addition to the above items, special reports may include a number of affidavits and transcripts of testimony from witnesses. The reports and supporting documents for the period 1880-1900 have been reproduced as part of National Archives Microfilm Publication M1070, which also includes the pre-1880 reports submitted to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Listed on the table (pp. 62-64) are the field jurisdictions for which inspection reports are found after 1880 and the bulk dates for the reports filmed and not filmed. Post-1907 reports are discussed in 48.245. An index to **reports from inspectors, 1880-93** (1 vol., 1/2 in.), contains entries for inspectors and for Indian agencies and schools, arranged by surname of inspector or by jurisdiction in rough alphabetical order and thereunder chronologically. Included are entries for inspectors and for Indian agencies and schools. A somewhat similar volume filed with

TABLE - 48.193
INSPECTION REPORTS, 1880-1907

Jurisdiction	Dates Filmed	Dates Unfilmed
Albuquerque School	1884-1900	1902-7
Blackfeet Agency	1882-99	1901-5
Carlisle School	1882-98	
Carson School	1890-1900	1901-6
Chamberlain School		1902
Cheyenne Agency	1880, 1890	
Cheyenne & Arapaho Agency	1880-1900	1903
Cheyenne River Agency	1881-1900	1903
Chilocco School	1884-1900	1903-5
Colorado River Agency	1883-98	1902-3
Colville Agency	1882-1900	1902-6
Crow Agency	1881-1900	1901-6
Crow Creek Agency	1881-1900	1901-3
Dakota Superintendency	1880	
Devils Lake Agency	1880-1900	1901-3
Flandreau School	1894-1900	1902
Flathead Agency	1883-1900	1901-4
Forest Grove (Salem) School	1884-99	1901-5
Fort Apache Agency	1893-99	1901-2
Fort Belknap Agency	1883-1900	1901-5
Fort Berthold Agency	1880-1900	1901-5
Fort Bidwell		1901, 1906
Fort Hall Agency	1890-1900	1901-5
Fort Lapwai School	1890-1900	1906-7
Fort Lewis School	1893-1900	1901-6
Fort Mohave (Mojave) School	1892-97	1902-6
Fort Peck Agency	1880-1900	1901-5
Fort Shaw School	1893-99	1901-5
Fort Stevenson School	1885-94	
Fort Totten School	1892-99	
Fort Yuma School	1886-98	1901-6
Genoa School	1884-1900	1901, 1904
Grand Junction School	1886-1900	1901-6
Grande Ronde Agency	1880-99	1901-5
Greenville School	1898-1900	1903
Hampton Institute	1887-99	1904
Haskell Institute	1883-1900	1903, 1905
Hoopa Valley School	1881-1900	1903, 1905
Hope School	1888	1902
Hualapai School	1897-1900	

Jurisdiction	Dates Filmed	Dates Unfilmed
Kickapoo School		1900
Kiowa Agency	1880	
Kiowa, Comanche, & Wichita Agency	1883-1900	1902-3
Klamath Agency	1881-1900	1901, 1905
Leech Lake Agency	1899	1901
Lemhi Agency	1883-1900	1904-6
Lower Brule Agency	1897-1900	1901-2, 1906
Mdewakanton Sioux in Minnesota	1899	
Mescalero & Jicarilla Agency	1883-1900	1901-5
Miscellaneous	1880-90	
Mission Agency	1881-1900	1901-4
Moqui Agency	1887-97	1901-4
Morris School	1900	
Navaho (Navajo) Agency	1881-1900	1901-4
Neah Bay Agency	1881-97	1901, 1906
Nebraska Agencies	1880	
Nevada Agency	1883-98	1901-6
New Mexico Superintendency	1880	
Nez Perce Agency	1882-1900	
Nisqualli (Nisqually), Skokomish, & Puyallup Agency	1881-99	
Omaha & Winnebago Agency	1881-1900	1902-4
Osage Agency	1881-99	1901-6
Ouray Agency	1883-87	
Pala School		1905-6
Pawnee Agency	1880	1902-5
Perris School	1893-1900	1904
Phoenix School	1893-98	1902-7
Pierre School	1891-1900	
Pima, Maricopa, & Papago Agency	1883-1900	1901-6
Pine Ridge Agency	1880-1900	1900-1902
Pipestone School	1894-1900	
Ponca Agency	1880	
Ponca, Pawnee, & Oto (Otoe) Agency	1881-1900	1901-5
Potawatomi & Great Nemaha Agency	1881-1900	1901-5
Pueblo & Jicarilla Agency	1882-1900	1901
Puyallup Agency		1901, 1906
Quapaw Agency	1882-98	
Quinaielt Agency	1884-89	
Rapid City School	1898-1900	1902, 1906
Rice Station	1902, 1906	
Riverside School (Sherman Institute)		1904-6
Rosebud Agency	1880-1900	1901-7
Round Valley Agency	1883-1900	1903, 1907
Rushville Station	1888	

Jurisdiction	Dates Filmed	Dates Unfilmed
Sac & Fox Agency, Indian Territory	1880-1900	1901-5
Sac & Fox Agency, Iowa	1883-1900	1901-5
San Carlos Agency	1882-1900	1901-6
San Jacinto Agency		1905-6
Santa Fe School	1888-1900	1903-6
Santee & Flandreau Agency	1880-1900	1901-3
Seger Colony School	1893-97	1903
Seneca School	1894	
Shawnee School		1902-5
Shebit School		1903, 1906
Shoshoni (Shoshone) Agency	1882-1900	1901, 1904
Siletz Agency	1881-99	1901
Sisseton Agency	1880-99	1901, 1905
Southern Ute Agency	1880-1900	1901, 1904
Spotted Tail Agency	1880	
Standing Rock Agency	1880-99	1901-5
Tongue River Agency	1884-90	1901-6
Tonkawa Special Agency	1883	
Truxton Canyon School		1902-6
Tulalip Agency	1881-99	1901-2, 1906
Tule River Agency	1884-87	
Uintah Agency	1882-83	
Uintah & Ouray Agency	1886-99	1901-2
Umatilla Agency	1881-1900	1903, 1905
Union Agency	1881-96	1905
Warm Springs Agency	1882-99	1901-5
Washington Superintendency	1880	
Western Navajo Agency		1904
Western Shoshoni (Shoshone) Agency	1883-99	1904, 1906
White Earth Agency	1880-1900	1901, 1905-6
Wyoming Superintendency	1880	
Yakima Agency	1881-1900	1902-5
Yankton Agency	1882-1900	1901, 1903-4
Zuni Agency	1904	

volume filed with the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs serves as a register for the reports, 1873-80, that are part of Record Group 75 (entries 950, 951, PI 163).

48.194 The contents of some of the reports are summarized in the multivolume **synopses of inspectors' reports, 1881-94** (11 vols., 1 ft.). The synopses are arranged in rough chronological order, and each individual volume contains an index to names of agencies and schools inspected. The first volume includes some copies of incoming and outgoing letters, memorandums, reports, and other records, and a few loose drafts and other items have been inserted in two other volumes as well. Summaries of some later reports are provided by **abstracts of inspectors' reports, Aug.-Nov. 1903** (1 vol., 1 in.), with entries arranged alphabetically by surname of inspector and thereunder chronologically.

48.195 Two additional control documents were maintained for the inspection reports. Entries in the **record of agency inspections 1878- 81** (1 vol., 1 in.), give name of agency, loca-tion, name of inspector, name of agent, date of order authorizing inspection, and sometimes date of report. Also included is a list of the activities of individual inspectors 1881-82. The reports for 1878 and 1879 were submitted to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and are part of the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Entries in the **record of inspections, 1883-1907** (1 vol., 1 in.), give date of order authorizing the inspection (in early years only), name of inspector, date of inspection, file number of inspector's report, and other information mainly concerning referral of the report to the Bureau of Indian Affairs and its return to the files. The arrangement of the entries in both volumes is primarily by name of Indian agency or school, in rough geographical order. Both volumes contain indexes to the names of agencies and schools.

48.196 For a relatively brief period copies of letters and telegrams sent by the Secretary to Indian inspectors were maintained apart from the main series of copies of outgoing letters (48.179 and 48.181). Most of these communications conveyed orders and instructions. The **hand-written copies of letters and telegrams sent to Indian inspectors, 1880-82** (1 vol., 2 in.), are arranged chronologically, as are the duplicate **press copies** (1 vol., 1 in.). The letters in both volumes are arranged chronologically, and both volumes include an index to surnames of inspectors. The index to the handwritten copies also includes references to agencies.

Records Relating to Indian Trust Funds, 1828-98

48.197 Under the provisions of treaties and acts of Congress, the Secretary of the Interior acted as trustee for trust funds established for Indian tribes. Some funds were intended for the general benefit of the tribe; others had some specific purpose, such as the maintenance of schools. The most common source of principal for a fund was the proceeds from the sale of tribal lands, known as "trust lands." Funds were usually invested in State and Federal bonds (referred to as stocks) and railroad securities. By 1867 it had become necessary to establish in the Office of the Secretary a separate Indian Trust Fund Division, which operated until 1876, when it was consolidated with the Indian Division. In 1876 the physical custody of securities, the making of purchases and sales, and the collection of interest and dividends were assigned to the Secretary of the Treasury. The Secretary of the Interior, however, remained responsible for determining the investments to be made. An act of Congress of April 1, 1880, authorized the deposit of money in the Treasury at interest instead of investment in securities. It then became standard practice to deposit the proceeds from matured bonds instead of reinvesting them, and by 1898 no bonds were held for Indian trust funds. In addition to the records described below, a considerable quantity of records concerning trust funds is among the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (entries 926-933, PI 163), since the Bureau performed much of the work concerning the funds.

48.198 Some of the trust fund records predate the establishment of the Interior Department by as much as 20 years. The earliest documents are among the **unregistered letters received relating to trust funds, 1828-69** (10 in.). Included are letters, memorandums, and financial statements relating to the establishment of funds (usually by the sale of Indian lands), the investment of funds in State bonds and railroad securities, the collection and handling of income, claims, and other matters relating to trust funds of Indian tribes. Many of these letters were received from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs or a Treasury Department official. A significant number of letters came from banks or other financial institutions. Although the bulk of the letters are not registered, a few are recorded in the first volume of the **registers of letters received concerning Indian trust funds, 1849-81** (3 vols., 7 in.).

48.199 Entries in the registers are generally arranged alphabetically by the initial letter of surname or designation of office of writer and thereunder in rough chronological order. A few peculiarities in the way in which the letters were registered are explained in detail in the Hill and Jaussaud inventory (entry 686). The first register volume, which covers the years 1849-55 and 1861-64, is divided into separate sections for letters from executive departments and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. The entries for the period 1849-55 are all for letters from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. The remaining two registers cover the years 1867-71 (with some 1866 and a few later entries) and 1871-81. Letters registered in these volumes were not ordinarily entered in the general registers of letters received (48.173) or the registers of letters received from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs (48.174), although both sets of regis-

ters contain entries for other letters concerning trust funds. Such letters may be filed with the general incoming letters (48.168) or with either series of trust fund letters described here.

48.200 The **registered letters received relating to trust funds, 1866-81** (4 ft.), are arranged in two groups, one covering the years 1867-71 (with a few 1866 and 1872 letters), and the other for the years 1871-81. Within each group the letters are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of surname or title of official position of writer and thereunder chronologically. This arrangement, with some revisions, follows the order of the two registers for the 1867-81 period that are described above. Included are letters received, memorandums, and financial statements relating to the investment of funds in State bonds and railroad and canal securities, the collection and handling of income, claims, and other matters relating to trust funds. Most of the letters were received from Treasury Department officials, representatives of banking institutions, canal and railroad companies, and State government officials. A few are from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Records concerning the establishment of trust funds are found among the unregistered trust fund letters, and many incoming letters concerning trust funds are found in a series of special files (48.202). Starting in 1881, incoming letters concerning trust funds were treated as part of the general correspondence and were no longer registered and filed separately (48.176-48.178).

48.201 Letters sent concerning Indian trust funds, 1857-80 (5 vols., 1 ft.), are arranged chronologically by date of letter in volumes designated by letters of the alphabet (A-E). Each volume contains an index to surnames of addressees. The letters, sent to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, the Secretary of the Treasury and other Treasury Department officials, the Attorney General, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the President, Members of Congress, State officials, bankers, and others, relate to the sale of Indian trust lands, investment of funds in securities, collection and handling of income, claims, and other matters relating to Indian trust funds. Letters are found for the periods January 1857-October 1864, December 1865-February 1866, and December 1866-December 1880. With the exception of the letters for the period December 1865-February 1866, the letters are duplicated by the **press copies of letters sent concerning Indian trust funds, 1857-80** (15 vols., 1 ft.). Letters copied in these two series were not ordinarily copied in the Division's general letter books (48.179-48.181), although the general letter books do include some letters concerning trust funds for those periods when the trust fund letter books were not maintained. Beginning in 1881, letters sent concerning trust funds were regularly copied in the general letter books.

48.202 Numbered **special files relating to trust funds, 1833-98** (3 ft.), consist mainly of records withdrawn from the incoming correspondence concerning trust funds, including many records referred from the Bureau of Indian Affairs. These files include letters received, opinions of departmental officials, memorandums, copies of outgoing letters, applications for bounty lands, reports by special agents and commissioners, instructions, petitions from Indian delegations, copies of resolutions, proceedings of Indian councils, and other records relating to various aspects of trust funds but most frequently to the disposal of trust lands and the handling of the proceeds. Many of the files relate to various aspects of trust fund management (nos. 6, 24-32, 34-37), and one file consists of copies of letters sent inherited from the Office of the Secretary of War (no. 5, 1847). Other files concern the affairs of several tribes, e.g., the Choctaw and Chickasaw (no. 13, 1843-83), the Miami (no. 14, 1865-73), the Osage, Sioux, and Kansas Indians (no. 15, 1870-71), the Potawatomi (no. 18, 1867-76), and the Sac and Fox Indians, 1864-73 (19); to the accounts of the Christian or Munsee Indians (no. 9, 1858-61); and to the trust funds of the Peoria (no. 17, 1857-71), and the Seneca, Shawnee, Ottawa, and other tribes (no. 20, 1837). Several files relate to the Cherokee, covering such subjects as neutral lands (no. 1, 1866-69); national warrants (no. 2, 1869-70, and no. 3, 1867-70); and the appraisal and sale of trust lands, settlers on neutral lands, national warrants, and delegations (no. 12, 1867-79); Isaac McCoy's survey of the Cherokee lands in the West under instructions of July 5, 1836 (no. 10); trust funds (no. 33, 1833-77); and payment for lands purchased by the Delaware (no. 38, 1867).

48.203 Multisubject files concern the Creek and Delaware Indians. The Creek file (no. 7, 1868-79) deals with the sale of Creek orphan lands, the Civil War claims of the Loyal Creek, the 1868 supplement to the 1866 treaty, and the exclusion of certain Creek Indians from participating in an appropriation to improve their farms. The Delaware file (no. 8, 1865-67) concerns depredations on the Delaware Reserve by the Delaware Lumber Co., the Missouri River Railroad's right-of-way through the Delaware Dimin-

ished Reserve, and the claim of the tribe to the land occupied by Fort Leavenworth, 1865-67. Also included is a file relating to the Ottawa University Trust Lands and other matters (no. 16, 1870-71), and papers concerning the sale of Kansas State bonds (no. 22, 1861-63). Copies of some of the documents in the latter file are included in a separate series, **correspondence concerning bond purchases, 1861-63** (1 vol., 2 in.), that consists of records concerning the purchase of Kansas State bonds.

48.204 Numerous bound fiscal documents complete the trust fund records. A series of **general ledgers, 1857-83** (11 vols., 2 ft.), consists of stock ledgers covering the periods 1857-61, 1861-66, 1867-72, and 1877-83; interest ledgers for 1861-66, 1867-73, and 1877; and ledgers for stockholdings and for interest, 1880-82, accrued by money that was deposited in the U.S. Treasury instead of being invested. Entries in the ledgers are arranged for the most part alphabetically by name of tribal fund. Most of the volumes include alphabetical indexes to the name of funds; also available is a separate **index to the interest ledger, 1867-73** (1 vol., 1/4 in.). **Interest payment statements, 1869-98** (3 vols., 4 in.), arranged chronologically, record the distribution of interest payments among the several trust funds. Other volumes include **miscellaneous ledgers and journals, 1857-89** (12 vols., 10 in.); **appropriation warrants, 1871-83** (3 vols., 4 in.); **Chickasaw appropriation warrants, 1853-68** (1 vol., 1 in.); and **trust fund vouchers, 1871-78** (1 vol., 1 in.). A **record of stockholdings, ca. 1875-91** (1 vol., 1 in.), contains entries arranged for the most part alphabetically by the name of the State in which the stock was issued; a similar volume for the period ca. 1869-73 is among the records of the Finance Division of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (see entry 930, PI 163).

Records of the Indian Territory Division

48.205 The Indian Territory Division, established by an order of the Secretary of the Interior of July 25, 1898, assumed those duties of the Indian Division involving "all business relating to the Indian Territory and the Five Civilized Tribes excepting such matters as more properly belong to the Appointment and Finance divisions." Indian Territory in 1898 consisted only of the eastern part of the present State of Oklahoma, including the lands of the Five Civilized Tribes (Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Creek, and Seminole) and of the several small tribes of the Quapaw Agency in the northeastern corner of the Territory (Quapaw, Wyandot, Seneca, Peoria, Miami, Ottawa, Eastern Shawnee, and Modoc). The western part of present Oklahoma, inhabited by numerous other tribes, became Oklahoma Territory.

48.206 The Indian Territory Division was established chiefly to handle the greatly increased business of the Office of the Secretary concerning Indian Territory resulting from the Curtis Act of June 28, 1898. Following the Civil War, the Five Civilized Tribes were largely self-governing, although some control was exercised by the Union Agency, established in 1874 by a consolidation of the four separate agencies responsible for the tribes. In 1893 the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes (popularly known as the Dawes Commission) was established to negotiate agreements with the tribes giving up their tribal lands and to make individual allotments, with the eventual goal of doing away with the tribal governments and making a State from Indian Territory. The Curtis Act greatly expanded Federal control in Indian Territory, its provisions including the preparation of rolls of the Five Tribes by the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes; the allotment of land in severalty by the Commission; the leasing of mineral lands under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior; the surveying, laying out, appraisal, and sale of townsites by townsite commissions under the supervision of the Secretary; the collection and disbursement of funds by Federal officers rather than by tribal officials (interpreted to include control of schools in Indian Territory); approval of tribal acts by the President; and increased jurisdiction of Federal courts within Indian Territory. An inspector for Indian Territory was authorized, with duties to be assigned by the Secretary. The inspector, J. George Wright, was given supervisory control over the Union Agency and to some extent the Quapaw Agency, as well as general responsibility for all matters not assigned to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes. Other officials in Indian Territory under the inspector were a superintendent of schools and the members of the several townsite commissions. On July 1, 1905, the Commission to the Five Civilized tribes was replaced by a single Commissioner, Tams Bixby. When Bixby resigned on June 30, 1907, Inspector Wright was appointed Commissioner, and the two positions were consolidated.

48.207 The Indian Territory Division was primarily a clerical unit for handling correspondence and maintaining records, although it also did some legal

work. The Secretary, or an Assistant Secretary, had to approve deeds and patents, leases, tribal acts, and the rolls compiled by the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes. Such matters as townsites, schools, railroads, telephones and telegraph lines, intruders on Indian lands, and financial affairs of the tribes also came to the attention of the Secretary in addition to the normal administrative matters. The Bureau of Indian Affairs (then known as the Office of Indian Affairs), under the supervision of the Secretary, was responsible for actual operations.

48.208 The Indian Territory Division was abolished in 1907. During this year the rolls of the tribes (the Final Rolls of the Five Civilized Tribes in Indian Territory) were completed, and most of the allotment and townsite work had been completed. The authority of the tribal governments had been greatly reduced the previous year, and Oklahoma, including the Indian Territory, had been made a State. Elimination of the Indian Territory Division, however, was part of an administrative reorganization rather than the result of decreasing work. Luther R. Smith was Chief of the Indian Territory Division throughout its existence.

48.209 Records concerning Indian Territory are among the records of the other divisions of the Office of the Secretary, particularly the Indian Division. Some pre-1898 records of the Indian Division were transferred to the Indian Territory Division as enclosures of letters. Most records concerning Oklahoma and the Five Civilized Tribes after 1907 are under File No. 5 in the central classified files of the Office of the Secretary (48.235). Many records concerning Indian Territory are found in the Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, particularly among the Bureau's general and Land Division records.

Letters Received and Related Records

48.210 Most correspondence of the Secretary about affairs in Indian Territory was conducted with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and letters from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs form a large part of the **letters received, 1898-1907** (163 ft.). The letters are arranged by year and thereunder by file number. From 1898 through 1902, the file numbers were assigned when the letters were recorded in chronological order by date of receipt in **registers of letters received, 1898-1907** (45 vols., 8 ft.), compiled in numbered volumes. From 1903 through 1907, a distinction was made between letters received from officials and other letters, the letters from official sources (chiefly the Commissioner of Indian Affairs) being registered in separate volumes from letters from unofficial sources. Letters from unofficial sources were assigned odd file numbers in order of receipt and were registered in odd numbered volumes; letters from official sources were assigned even file numbers in order of receipt and were registered in even-numbered volumes. Except in 1903, more official than nonofficial letters were received, meaning that more even file numbers than odd file numbers were assigned each year from 1904 to 1907. The difference become so great that there are five more even-numbered than odd-numbered volumes (the last odd volume is No. 39, the last even volume is No. 50). Since the letters were filed in strict numerical order, official letters and unofficial letters, often of considerably different dates, alternate. The last part of the correspondence for any year after 1902, therefore, consists entirely of either official or unofficial letters and is assigned only even or odd file numbers.

48.211 The letters received include, in addition to those from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, letters from the Commission and the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, the Inspector for Indian Territory, members of the President's Cabinet, the General Land Office, the Geological Survey, Members of Congress, other officials, attorneys, Indians, businessmen, and others. Letters from officials in Indian Territory were sometimes sent directly to the Secretary of the Interior but were more often transmitted through the Bureau of Indian Affairs and frequently are enclosures of letters from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Letters relate to enrollments and tribal citizenship, land allotments, leases, townsites, removals of restrictions on alienation of land, land sales, railroads, telephone and telegraph lines, intruders on Indian land, congressional legislation, estimates and appropriations, tribal legislation, tribal financial affairs, schools, tribal government organization in Indian Territory, employees, buildings, supplies, purchases, accounts, and many other subjects relating to the administration of Indian Territory and the affairs of the Five Civilized Tribes. Cross-reference or endorsement sheets were inserted in the files to replace the many letters assigned to special files (48.216) or referred to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, and other offices. Notations in the registers also indicate these removals.

48.212 Name and subject **indexes to letters received, 1898-1907** (9 vols., 4 ft.), were compiled.

Through August 1902, only one index volume had been used; thereafter, separate volumes were maintained for names (and sometimes positions) of persons and companies and for other subjects. Subject entries usually give a brief indication of the specific contents of each letter. A separate **index to names of persons issued patents and deeds, 1902-5** (1 vol., 4 in.), for allotments, homesteads, and town lots in Indian Territory identifies letters from the Bureau of Indian Affairs transmitting deeds or patents for approval.

Letters Sent and Related Records

48.213 No comprehensive index was compiled for the letters sent. Indexes of varying detail to surnames of addressees and to subjects are found in the individual volumes of **press copies of letters sent, 1898-1907** (252 vols., 30 ft.), the only complete collection of outgoing letters. Before May 5, 1899 (vols. 1-7), letters were copied chronologically; typed copies (called "record copies") were also filed in two separate series, **letters sent to Federal officials, 1898-1900** (10 vols., 2 ft.), and **letters sent to persons other than Federal officials, 1898- 1902** (3 vols., 6 in.). From May 1899 until almost the end of 1902, press copies of letters to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and officials in Indian Territory were copied in chronological order in even-numbered volumes, and letters to other officials and private persons in odd-numbered volumes. After 1902, letters to Federal officials were copied in the even-numbered volumes. Copied in the odd-numbered volumes were letters to nonofficials, including letters to Members of Congress not concerned with official congressional business. Because many more letters were written to officials than to nonofficials, numerically consecutive volumes may contain letters of considerably different dates, up to a difference of almost 3 years in some cases. That difference in quantity also accounts for the fact that there are 84 more even-numbered than odd-numbered volumes. File numbers of incoming letters are often indicated on outgoing letters.

48.214 The letters are addressed to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, the Commission and Commissioner of the Five Civilized Tribes, the Inspector of Indian territory, the Superintendent of Schools in Indian Territory, townsite commissioners, other officials in Indian Territory, the Attorney General, the Assistant Attorney General, the Assistant Attorney General for the Department of the Interior, the Secretary of the Treasury, other Treasury Department officials, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the Director of the Geological Survey, the President, Members of Congress, other Federal officials, Indians, attorneys, bankers, officials of mining and railroad companies, other businessmen, and others. Letters relate to congressional and tribal legislation, estimates and appropriations, enrollment and tribal citizenship, allotments of land, removals of restrictions on alienation of land, land sales, leases, townsites, intruders on Indian lands, railroads, telephone and telegraph lines, tribal government and elections, tribal financial affairs, schools, employees, buildings, supplies and purchases, accounts, and many other subjects concerning the administration of Indian Territory and the affairs of the Five Civilized Tribes.

48.215 Press copies of memorandums, 1898-1907 (6 vols., 8 in.), from the Chief of the Indian Territory Division to the Secretary of the Interior and other officials, chiefly in the Department, relate to legislation, regulations, litigations, financial affairs, enrollments, schools, allotments, leases, townsite commissions, intruders on Indian lands, railroads, office administration (particularly requests for additional employees), and many other subjects. Also available are some **letters and memorandums concerning personnel, 1899-1906** (10 in.), reflecting changes in personnel, appointments, resignations, and other personnel actions.

Miscellaneous Records

48.216 The **special files, 1898-1907** (35 ft.), are arranged by subject, thereunder chronologically, and thereunder by assigned file number. An index of subject headings is available. Most of the letters found in the special files were removed from the general incoming correspondence (48.210), but some of the later files appear to include items taken from other special files as well. The files consist of letters received from Indian agents, Indian inspectors, members of the Board of Indian Commissioners, railroad officials, labor representatives, tribal officials, mining officials, and others. In addition to letters received, this file includes legislative bills, opinions, reports, memorandums, tribal membership rolls, telegrams, blueprints, and other related records. Included are some pre-1898 enclosures.

48.217 The files contain information relating to railroads, minerals (mostly files for individual companies applying for leases), legislation, townsites, schools, opinions of the Attorney General, opinions

of the Assistant Attorney General of the Interior Department, fraud investigations, enrollments, allotments, oil leases, non-Indian renters, decisions of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Citizenship Court, Choctaw and Chickasaw financial affairs, telephone and telegraph rights-of-way, cattle, jail sites (at Ardmore, McAlester, and Muskogee), the boundary line between the Choctaw Nation and Texas, sales of Quapaw lands, timber and stone, and other related subjects. Records of particular interest found in the files relate to W.T. Whitaker's Orphan Home; T.J. Sims and the Paris Female College; Wyandot Indian burying grounds; Choctaw, Chickasaw, and Cherokee freedmen; the case of *Delaware* v. *the Cherokee Nation*; the 1899 strike in the coal mines of Indian Territory; and the use of U.S. troops in the Choctaw and Chickasaw elections. Given below is a list of the mining and mineral companies, railroads, telephone companies, and townsites mentioned in the files:

1. **Mining/mineral Companies**
   - Brunswick Asphalt Co.
   - Caddo Asphalt Mining Co.
   - Choctaw Coal & Mining Co.
   - Cudahy Oil Co. et. al.
   - Davis Mining Co.
   - Gilsonite Roofing & Paving Co.
   - Horse-Pen Coal & Mining Co.
   - Kansas & Texas Coal Co.
   - McAlester Coal Mining Co.
   - Milby & Dow Mining Co.
   - Rock Creek Natural Asphalt Co.
   - San Bois Coal Co.

2. **Railroads**
   - Arkansas & Choctaw Railway Co.
   - Arkansas & Oklahoma Railway Co.
   - Arkansas, Texas & Mexican Central Railway Co.
   - Arkansas Valley & Western Railroad Co.
   - Arkansas & Western Railroad Co.
   - Atkinson, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad
   - Big Three Railway Co.
   - Blackwell, Enid & South Western Railroad
   - Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad
   - Choctaw & Chickasaw Railway
   - Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf Railroad
   - Dennison & Northern Railway
   - Dennison & Washita Valley Railway
   - Eastern Oklahoma Railway
   - Fort Smith & Western Railway
   - Gainesville, McAlester & St. Louis Railway
   - Gulf, Chickasaw & Kansas Railway
   - Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway
   - Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis Railroad
   - Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf Railroad
   - Kansas, Eastern Oklahoma & Texas Railway
   - Kansas & Neosho Railway
   - Kansas, Oklahoma Central & Southwest Railroad
   - Kansas, Oklahoma City & Western Railway
   - Kansas & Southeastern Railway
   - Kiowa, Chickasaw & Fort Smith Railroad
   - Missouri, Kansas & Oklahoma Railroad
   - Muskogee Southern Railway
   - Muskogee & Western Railroad
   - Oklahoma City & South Western Railway
   - Oklahoma City & Western Railway
   - Oklahoma, Okmulgee & Southern Railway
   - Oklahoma Telegraph & Railway Company
   - Ozark & Cherokee Central Railway
   - Porteau Valley Railway
   - St. Louis & Oklahoma Railway
   - St. Louis, Oklahoma & Southern Railway
   - St. Louis & San Francisco Railway
   - Sapulpa, Jennings & North Western Railroad
   - Shawnee, Oklahoma & Indian Territory
   - Shawnee, Oklahoma & Missouri Coal Co.
   - Shawnee, Red Fork Coal & Railway Co.
   - Sulphur Springs Railway
   - Western Oklahoma Railway
   - Wichita & Southern Railway

3. **Telephone Companies**
   - Arkansas Valley
   - Indian Territory
   - Muskogee National

4. **Townsites**
   - Ardmore
   - Atoka
   - Bixby, Creek Nation
   - Bristow, Creek Nation
   - Checota, Creek Nation
   - Eufaula, Creek Nation
   - Holdenville, Creek Nation
   - Kellyville, Creek Nation
   - McAlester (South)
   - Muskogee

Okmulgee, Creek Nation
Sapulpa, Creek Nation
Sterrett
Tulsa, Creek Nation
Wagoner

Oversize records, 1899-1907 (10 in.), received as enclosures of incoming letters (48.210 and 48.216) and filed separately because of their unusual size, consist of maps, partial census rolls, transcripts of testimony concerning the miner's strike in 1899, and other records concerning investigations. The records are arranged in part by type of record and in part chronologically.

48.218 The remaining Division records consist of miscellaneous series relating to legislation, land, and enrollments. A **reference book concerning legislation and litigation, 1899-1907** (1 vol., 1 in.), lists acts of the Five Civilized Tribes presented for approval in 1899 and 1900. The entries for individual acts are arranged by date of action and give file number of transmittal letter, tribe, subject, and date of approval or disapproval. Entries for 1907 consist mainly of references, arranged in rough alphabetical order by surname of person involved or by subject, to records relating to legal disputes principally concerning contested allotments and townsite lots. No entries are found for 1901-6. Printed copies of **congressional bills, reports, and documents, 1898-1907** (4 ft.), are arranged by session of Congress and thereunder in rough order by type of document, House, and numbers assigned when registered.

48.219 Land-related series concern sales, contested allotments, leases, and mineral matters. All of the volumes described here include references to relevant letters received (48.210 and 48.216) and letters sent (48.213). The **register of sales of allotted Creek lands, 1903-6** (1 vol., 3 in.), is a record of deeds for land sold by Creek allottees, submitted to the Secretary for approval as provided by regulations of July 10, 1903. Registers for other tribes do not exist, because there were no similar provisions for sales of their allotted lands. The entries, which are arranged chronologically by date of Department action, give the date of deed, name of allottee or vendor, name of vendee or grantee, location and acreage of land, appraised value of land, purchase price, names of bidders, amounts of bids, and indication of Bureau recommendation and Department action. An index to surnames of allottees and buyers has been inserted in the volume. Entries in a **docket book for contested allotments, 1900-1907** (1 vol., 1 in.), are arranged in rough chronological order by date of receipt of the first letter concerning a land contest. References to later letters concerning the contest are entered with the initial entry. The individual entries give the location of the disputed land, the names of the parties involved, and an indication of the action taken. The volume contains an index to the surnames of the contestants and contestees. Entries in a **lease application docket book, 1898-1902** (1 vol., 2 in.), are arranged by surname of applicant and in rough chronological order thereunder. The content of the entries varies, but they may include information on type of lease, location and acreage of land, Indian nation in which located, name of applicant (often a company), and indication of action taken. The volume includes an index to surnames of persons and names of companies. Finally, a **reference book concerning oil and gas matters, 1904-5** (1 vol., 1 in.), contains references to letters relating to individual oil and gas companies and other subjects.

48.220 Also among the records of the Division are the manuscript **final rolls of the Five Civilized Tribes, 1899-1914** (20 vols. and unbound papers, 4 ft.). The rolls were prepared by the Commission and Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes and submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for approval as provided by several acts of Congress. Both approved and disapproved names are included. Most rolls give name, age, sex, degree of Indian blood, and roll and census card number of individuals. The rolls are arranged by name of tribe and are thereunder divided into tribal membership rolls for members by blood, members by marriage, and freedmen members. Separate rolls for minor children and newborn babies are found in many of the groups. Also included are rolls for the Mississippi Choctaw and the Delaware Cherokee. The rolls are dated 1899-1907 and 1914. The final rolls, including only approved names and not including the 1914 supplements, were published by authority of Congress under the title *The Final Rolls of Citizens and Freedmen of the Five Civilized Tribes in Indian Territory*. A separate index volume was also published. Many of the records in this series, including the 1914 supplements, have been published as National Archives Microfilm Publication T529 (3 rolls). A **list of persons struck from the final rolls of the Five Civilized Tribes, 1907** (1 vol., 1 in.), arranged alphabetically by surname, gives names, tribe and category claimed, roll number, references to related incoming and outgoing letters (48.210, 48.216,

and 48.213), and sometimes other information. Applications for enrollment and the enrollment cards prepared by the Commission are among the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs held by the National Archives--Southwest Region in Fort Worth, TX, and have been reproduced as National Archives Microfilm Publications M1186, *Enrollment Cards of the Five Civilized Tribes, 1898-1914* (93 rolls); M1301, *Applications for Enrollment of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, 1898-1914* (468 rolls); and M1650, *Applications From the Bureau of Indian Affairs Muskogee Area Office Relating to Enrollment in the Five Civilized Tribes Under the Act of 1896* (54 rolls).

48.221 Rounding out the records of the Division is a group of **miscellaneous records, 1898-1907** (2 ft.), touching on nearly all the subjects handled by the Division. Records consist of memorandums, drafts of correspondence, reports, proposed legislation, financial records, statements, lists, schedules, and digests of correspondence, copies of incoming and outgoing letters, opinions, printed matter, and other records relating to Federal and Tribal legislation, regulations, enrollment and tribal citizenship, land allotments, sales of land, leases, townsites, financial matters, office administration, and many other subjects.

Records of Other Subordinate Offices

Records of the Office of Explorations and Surveys

48.222 An act of Congress on March 3, 1853 (10 Stat. 219), authorized the Secretary of War to make explorations and surveys "to ascertain the most practicable and economical route for a railroad from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean." An Office of Pacific Railroad Explorations and Surveys was established in the War Department to supervise the work of the several surveying parties and to prepare their reports for publication. In addition to conducting surveys of possible routes, the surveying parties made studies of geology, botany, and zoology. The Pacific railroad surveys were substantially completed by 1857. The Office then turned to other kinds of surveys, and its name was changed to the Office of Explorations and Surveys. The survey and exploration work was discontinued at the beginning of the Civil War. By a joint resolution of March 3, 1865 (13 Stat. 573), Congress directed that the records of this War Department unit, which primarily concerned the Pacific surveys, be transferred to the Department of the Interior. The reports of the surveys were published in 12 volumes under the title *Reports of Explorations and Surveys, to Ascertain the Most Practicable and Economical Route for a Railroad From the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean* (S. Ex. Doc. 78, 33d Cong., 2d sess.; H. Ex. Doc. 56, 36th Cong., 1st sess.).

General Records

48.223 Correspondence, 1852-61 (21 vols., 4 ft.), consisting chiefly of letters received but including copies of some letters sent, relates to expeditions and surveys, scientific work, printing and engraving work, requests for and distribution and receipt of printed reports and maps, applications for employment, finance and accounts, and other subjects. The correspondence, arranged by subject and thereunder chronologically, is with survey officers, the Superintendent of Public Printing and private printers, lithographers, scientists, Treasury Department officials, applicants for positions, and others. Most of the volumes include indexes to surnames of correspondents and a few subjects. Letters received, copies of letters sent, reports, memorandums, and lists make up the **correspondence and other records concerning Isaac Stevens' survey of a northern route for the Pacific railroad, 1853-61** (1 vol., 2 in.), and the publication of his reports. The documents, which are arranged chronologically and indexed by surname of correspondent, have been reproduced as National Archives Microfilm Publication M126. Additional **reports, field notes, and related records, 1853-65** (10 in.), concern not only survey work but also the distribution of publications and the transfer of records from the War Department to the Department of the Interior in 1865. These reports of operations, field notes of surveys, correspondence, memorandums, lists, tables, schedules, profiles, newspaper clippings, and other records are arranged in part by subject and in part in rough chronological order.

Cartographic Records

48.224 Maintained apart from the textual records of the Office are **general survey and exploration records, 1849-58** (154 items), including annotated maps and manuscript sketches of parts of a map of the United States from the Mississippi River to the

Pacific Ocean, compiled 1854-58, to accompany reports of the explorations for a railroad route. Also available are annotated profiles, compiled in 1855, of the main routes surveyed; a general profile of the country between the western boundary of Missouri and San Francisco, CA, by way of Albuquerque, NM, and Walker's Pass in California; tracings of a map, dated 1852, of Minnesota Territory, and of roads in Minnesota as surveyed by Captain Simpson;; an annotated printed map of the area west of Lake Superior, showing proposed lines for railroads; a manuscript map, dated 1853, of Washington Territory and unfinished manuscript maps of the northwestern part of the United States, showing exploration routes; a manuscript plan, dated 1849, showing the junction of the Colorado and Gila Rivers; a sketch (tracing) showing the reservations for the Flathead, Kootenai, and Pend d'Oreille Indians and the land ceded by them in July 1855, and one showing the Cayuse, Walla Walla, Yakima, and Nez Perce Indian purchases and reservations; pencil sketches, many unidentified, of profiles, camps, and routes of Pacific railroad surveys; a chart by L. Blodget showing "the March of Temperature Changes" in January 1854 from the east base of the Rocky Mountains to Albion Mines, Nova Scotia; and annotated, lithographed, and manuscript landscape sketches used in printing the 12-part (13 vols.) *Reports of Explorations and Surveys, to Ascertain the Most Practicable and Economical Route for a Railroad From the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean...1853-1856....*(Washington, 1861), referred to above. An incomplete record set of the maps and profiles published in the multivolume publication constitutes the series **published maps and profiles to accompany reports of explorations and surveys for a railroad route from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean, 1853-57** (42 items).

48.225 Additional cartographic materials are arranged according to the exploration routes to which they pertain:

1. **Records relating to routes near the 47th and 49th parallels, 1853-54** (25 items), include manuscript profiles, dated 1853-54, of routes near the 47th and 49th parallels; manuscript maps of explorations and surveys by Isaac I. Stevens from St. Paul, MN, to Puget Sound; sketches (tracings) of reconnaissance by Lt. J. Mullan in 1854 from Cantonment Stevens to the Kootenai River and across the Bitter Root Mountains to Fort Dalles, OR; sketches and profiles of parts of the route explored by Lieutenant Lander and A.W. Tinkham; and a map of the Missouri River from the Great Falls to the mouth of the Milk River, by Lt. C. Grover.

2. **Records relating to routes near the 41st parallel, ca. 1854** (9 items), include pencil plats of Lt. E.G. Beckwith's route near the 41st parallel and a profile of the route from Fort Reading, CA, to Fort Leavenworth, KS.

3. **Profile of route near the 38th and 39th parallels, ca. 1853-54** (2 items), consists of a manuscript profile of Captain Gunnison's route from the Big Bend of the Arkansas River in Kansas to the Sevier River in Utah, and an accompanying sketch, dated 1854, of Sangre de Cristo Pass.

4. **Records relating to routes near the 35th parallel, 1853-54** (77 items), consist of field sheets and manuscript maps of surveys along the 35th parallel. Also included are a geologic map of the route explored in 1853-54 by Lieutenant Whipple, from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean; a general profile of a route from Fort Smith, AR, to Martinez, CA; and an undated manuscript and tracing of map and profile of Aztec Pass and Pueblo Creek.

5. **Records relating to routes surveyed in southern California to connect with those near the 32d and 35th parallels, ca. 1853-56** (31 items), include manuscript field sketches or plats of routes, one of which is labeled "original plats of various portions of Lieut. R.S. Williamson's survey in Southern Cala., 1853." Among the other items are maps of explorations and surveys by Williamson and Lt. John G. Parke, including a manuscript map, dated 1853, and a tracing of a survey of the passes in the Sierra Nevada Mountains from Walker's Pass southerly to the Coast Range; manuscript maps and profiles, dated 1853, of the Canada de las Uvas and Tejon Pass and of passes in the Sierra Nevadas; and a manuscript map in 12 sheets of a survey line run by the San Diego and Gila River Railroad Co. from San Diego to Vallecito, as transmitted in a letter of February 1, 1856, from W.H. Leighton to Lieutenant Parke.

6. Some **records relating to routes near the 32d parallel, 1854-56** (14 items), document Lt. J.G. Parke's explorations of routes from the Pima villages on the Rio Gila to Fort Fillmore on the Rio Grande (maps and profiles), and to Mesilla on the Rio Bravo Del Norte or Rio Grande (manuscript profile and a tracing of a map and profile). Other items document Capt. John Pope's explorations of a route from the Red River to the Rio Grande (oversize topographic and geologic maps) and the Guadalupe Pass in New

Mexico (manuscript map and profile). Also included is a manuscript map (apparently from Pope's surveys) for a route from San Antonio, TX, to Dona Ana, NM, and a sectional drawing dated 1855, of an artesian well bored on the Llano Estacado.

7. Records relating to routes in California and Oregon, 1854-55 (9 items), include manuscript maps and a profile of Lt. John G. Parke's route of exploration and survey from San Francisco to Los Angeles, CA; and profiles, dated 1855, of routes in Oregon and California as explored by Lt. H.L. Abbot and Lt. R.S. Williamson.

Photographic Records

48.226 Filed with the other photographic records of the Office of the Secretary, and apart from the textual records, are 14 engravings and pen and ink drawings from 1854 and 1858 that were used to illustrate the published reports of the Office of Exploration and Surveys (**PR**).

Records of the Office of the Assistant Attorney General for the Department of the Interior

48.227 By an act of February 25, 1871, Congress authorized the appointment of an additional Assistant Attorney General to act as legal advisor to the Secretary of the Interior though remaining an official of the Department of Justice. The principal work of the Office of the Assistant Attorney General was the examination and preparation of decisions concerning cases appealed from the Commissioner of the General Land Office. Beginning in 1881, the Office prepared the periodic publication *Decisions of the Department of the Interior in Cases Relating to the Public Lands*. The Office of the Assistant Attorney General also prepared opinions requested by the Secretary and other officials of the Department and handled other legal matters. Beginning July 31, 1894, one of the assistant attorneys was designated First Assistant Attorney and authorized to sign certain correspondence of the Office. A Chief Law Clerk was employed for several years, but in 1896 this position was consolidated with that of the First Assistant Attorney. The title of the Assistant Attorney General was changed to Solicitor for the Department of the Interior in 1914.

48.228 Correspondence and court case files form the bulk of the records of the Office, although no substantive records are found for the years 1883-90. The earliest series, **"Confidential Correspondence," 1877-81** (1 vol., 1 in.), consists of chronologically arranged press copies of letters sent by the Secretary of the Interior, the Assistant Attorney General, and other officials relating chiefly to alleged irregularities concerning public lands and the administration of Indian affairs. The volume includes an index to surnames of addressees and to subjects. The letters received by the Office during its early years have not been found, but information about them can be gleaned from a **register of letters received, 1878-82** (1 vol., 2 in.), that identifies the writer, date, and subject of each letter, and frequently gives an indication of the action taken.

48.229 Letters received, 1895-1903 (4 in.), are divided into two chronological segments, 1895-1902 and 1903. Within each segment, the letters are arranged for the most part alphabetically by surname of writer and thereunder chronologically. Consisting primarily of letters to Assistant Attorney General Willis Van Devanter from the Secretary of the Interior, Members of Congress, State officials, attorneys, and private individuals, the correspondence relates to cases undergoing review or requests legal opinions on matters not subject to or appropriate for judicial action. Topics include Indian allotments, the opening of Indian lands, railroad rights-of-way, the location of mineral claims, land entry contests, and other matters. An **"Index" to letters received by the Office of the Secretary and referred to the Assistant Attorney General, 1890-1907** (9 in.), provides some information about letters that were not maintained by the Office but were returned to the division of origin.

48.230 Chronologically arranged press copies of **letters sent by the Assistant Attorney General, 1890-1907** (6 vols., 6 in.), concern decisions of State and Territorial courts, questions of fact and law in cases before the Interior Department or involving the Interior Department, interpretation of the effects of certain acts of Congress upon the authority of the Secretary of the Interior, and other matters. The letters are addressed to the Secretary of the Interior and other departmental officials, Members of Congress, the Attorney General, attorneys, State and Territorial officials, and private individuals. Included are letters for the period February-June 1897 signed by the Secretary of the Interior and reports on the work of the Office of the Assistant Attorney General. Press copies of letters about cases appealed from the Commissioner of the General Land Office form the bulk of the **letters sent by the Chief Law Clerk and**

the First Assistant Attorney, 1894-1907 (3 vols., 3 in.). Copies of reports to the Secretary of the Interior and memorandums are included. The documents are arranged chronologically, and each volume contains an alphabetical index, chiefly to names of addressees.

48.231 Two series provide information concerning cases handled by the Office. Cases appealed from the decision of the Commissioner of the General Land Office are recorded chronologically in a **register of land cases, 1893-95** (1 vol., 1 in.). Entries in a **court case docket book, 1901-7** (1 vol., 1 in.), are arranged by case in rough chronological order by date of first action. Most of the cases were petitions for injunction or mandamus against the Secretary of the Interior, and the entries for individual cases give court docket number, names of parties, names of attorneys, action sought, and a chronological listing of actions. Both register and docket book contain an alphabetical index to the names of parties involved.

48.232 Records relating to individual cases before various courts make up the **court case files, ca. 1893-1909** (2 ft.), which are arranged mostly in order of assigned case numbers. Included are such legal documents as briefs, petitions, bills of complaint, stipulations, affidavits, subpoenas, opinions, and court orders, as well as correspondence, plats, memorandums, and other documents.

48.233 Also among the records of the Office are **court directories, 1860** (2 vols., 2 in.), giving for each State or Territory the names of judges, district attorneys, marshals, and clerks of the Supreme Court, circuit courts, and district courts and the scheduled dates and places of sessions. Chief Justice Robert B. Taney's name appears on the cover of each volume.

POST-1907 RECORDS

48.234 Early in April 1907, within a month after he took office, Secretary James R. Garfield ordered a major reorganization of the Secretary's Office. The result was the establishment of a Mails and Files Division to handle almost all communications received by the Office of the Secretary. The classified filing system initiated in that year provided for the maintenance in one series (48.235) of records formerly maintained as divisional files. Kept separate from this series, however, are records concerning personnel supervision and management (48.239) and those concerning legislation (48.238). The Office of the Solicitor (Assistant Attorney General until 1914), the Finance Division, and successors to the Appointments Division also continued to maintain records separately. In addition, as the organization of the Office of the Secretary became more complex, more divisions and other units within the Office began to maintain their own records apart from the central file. Discussed below are those series among the post-1907 records that contain relevant pre-1913 materials.

General Records

Correspondence and Related Records

48.235 The **central classified files, 1907-53** (1,725 ft.), are arranged according to a numeric-subject classification system. Twenty-five major numerical classifications or "files" were established for records relating to activities of bureaus of the Department and for other important subject areas. Each of these files was divided into a number of secondary classifications assigned subnumbers (e.g., records relating to the Geological Survey are designated as File No. 7; thereunder are secondary classifications assigned numbers from 7-1 to 7-24). Within the secondary classifications, the records are usually arranged alphabetically by headings denoting more specific subjects, names of administrative units, names of States and other geographical areas, and names of persons and companies. Thereunder there are often further alphabetical or other breakdowns. The records within a subheading are usually arranged chronologically and clamped together, but other methods of arrangement were used when appropriate, and many loose items (chiefly publications and processed issuances) have been inserted. For a select list of file subject headings, see the Supplement following this chapter. Some file classifications were discontinued, either because the functions and offices they were to document were transferred out of the Department or because of reorganizations and changes in record-keeping practices within the Department. Three discontinued classification numbers were reactivated for records relating to new functions: File No. 3, originally assigned to Patent Office records, was adopted for the Bureau of Biological Survey; File No. 4, previously assigned to the Pension Office, was adopted for Bureau of Fisheries records prior to 1940 and for the Fish and Wildlife Service thereafter; and File No. 6, formerly allotted to the Office of Education, was subsequently assigned to the Grazing Service.

48.236 Included in the central classified files are letters received, copies of letters sent, memorandums, narrative and statistical reports, orders, circulars, bulletins, manuals, minutes, contracts and agreements, leases, bonds, permits, certificates, opinions, decisions, petitions and memorials, affidavits, briefs and other legal documents, transcripts of hearings, Executive orders and proclamations, completed questionnaires, estimates and justifications, specifications, bids, purchase orders, inventories, authorizations, accounting and personnel records, press releases, copies of speeches, congressional documents, newspaper clippings, periodicals, other publications and processed issuances, lists, tables, charts, graphs, schedules, maps and plats, and photographs.

48.237 Subjects and surnames of correspondents are identified by an **index to the central classified files, 1907-53** (347 ft.), compiled on 3- by 5-inch cards. Entries under each index heading, arranged chronologically, give the date, file number, and usually an indication of the specific subjects. Although the index is fairly comprehensive, there is not always an entry for every document concerning a subject or correspondent. The index does include numerous cross-reference cards.

48.238 Also covered by the index are **records relating to legislation, 1907-53** (291 ft.), arranged according to the filing system used for the central classified files and thereunder in various ways. Often the records within a classification are arranged by the number of the Congress and thereunder by bill or resolution number, but sometimes alphabetical or other subject breakdowns, either for the classification or for individual Congresses, are found. For the most part, records relating to individual bills and resolutions are arranged chronologically, but sometimes they are arranged by type of document. Larger items, chiefly transcripts of hearings, are sometimes inserted separately and out of order. A few file numbers, particularly 1-59 (Appropriation Bills), are used only for the records relating to legislation and not for the central classified files. Under some classifications, records are found that relate to legislation in general rather than to specific bills. Under file number 12-64 are lists of bills and resolutions that include the file numbers of pertinent records. The files include letters received, copies of letters sent, memorandums, reports, petitions, printed and draft copies of bills and resolutions, explanations of bills, printed copies of congressional documents and reports, transcripts of hearings, other publications, charts, tables, maps, photographs, and other records relating to legislation of the 59th through 82d Congresses that was of interest to the Department of the Interior.

48.239 Records concerning personnel supervision and management, 1907-53 (252 ft.), designated as File No. 15 of the central classified files (48.235), were maintained separately by the Division of Personnel Management and its predecessors. Classifications numbered from 15-0 to 15-48 were established for bureau and other administrative units of the Department and for other major subject areas, with additional numerical classifications added for subsidiary subjects (e.g., 15-5-12). For the most part, the records within numerical classifications are arranged alphabetically by subject and thereunder chronologically, but other methods were used when appropriate. The files include letters received, copies of letters sent, memorandums, reports, orders, circulars, bulletins, manuals, affidavits, efficiency ratings, notifications of personnel action, completed "Changes in Civilian Personnel" and other forms, completed questionnaires, lists, schedules, charts, minutes, transcripts of hearings, copies of legislative bills and acts, civil service announcements, estimates, and newspaper clippings. A separate **index, 1907-53** (22 ft.), compiled on 3- by 5-inch cards, was maintained for these records.

Procedural Records

48.240 Orders issued by the Secretary of the Interior relating to appointments, leave, delegations of authority, assignments and duties, and other administrative matters are found among the **unnumbered Secretarial orders, 1909-25** (1 ft.). Also included among the chronologically arranged documents are copies of Presidential proclamations, Executive orders, and notices of the General Land Office.

Office Records

Records of the Office of the Solicitor

48.241 The Office of the Solicitor is a continuation of the Office of the Assistant Attorney General for the Department of the Interior. The title was changed to Solicitor for the Department of the Interior in 1914. Before 1926 the Solicitor was an official of the Department of Justice on detail to the Department of the Interior, but the rest of the staff were employees of the Department of the Interior.

Because the Solicitor is the chief legal officer for the Department, the Solicitor's office is in charge of the preparation and review of legislation to be proposed to Congress. It also prepares opinions on legal questions, including appeals from decisions of bureau chiefs, and handles claims against the Department in court litigation.

48.242 Many records of the Office relate to court cases concerning land, oil and gas leases, Indians, reclamation projects, pensions, and claims, among other subjects, but few of the records cover the pre-1913 period. An exception are the **records concerning the Corbett Tunnel claims, 1906-20** (5 in.), brought against the contractor and subcontractors for the construction of the Corbett Tunnel of the Shoshone Irrigation Project of the U.S. Reclamation Service. When the contractor, Charles Spear, failed to fulfill his contract of September 27, 1905, the contract was rescinded on August 5, 1906, and the Reclamation Service completed the work. In 1912 Congress provided for the settlement by the Government of claims against the contractor and subcontractors; the resulting records are arranged in part alphabetically by surname of claimant and in part in rough chronological order. The records, consisting of letters received, copies of letters sent, memorandums, reports, lists, affidavits, time checks and certificates, decisions, legislative bills, and other documents, relate to the investigation and settlement of the claims. **Other records concerning court cases, 1911-58** (9 in.), arranged in part by subject and in part by type of record, consist of correspondence, memorandums, affidavits, briefs, petitions, opinions, judgments, and other materials concerning various cases, including the enrollment of the Eastern Band of Cherokee and other Indian cases.

48.243 Held by the National Archives--Pacific Southwest Region, in Laguna Niguel, CA, are **litigation case files from the Office of the Field Solicitor, Phoenix, AZ, 1904-75** (38 ft.), resulting from the construction by the Bureau of Reclamation of dams and canals in Arizona, Nevada, and southern California, and **litigation files of the Chief Irrigation Counsel relating to Bureau of Reclamation and Indian Irrigation Service projects, 1902-73** (322 ft.), from the Office of the Regional Solicitor, Los Angeles, CA. The files stemming from Bureau of Reclamation projects relate to the All-American Canal, Boulder Canyon, Colorado River, Gila River, San Carlos, Uintah, and Yuma projects. Those resulting from the Indian Irrigation Service concern the following projects: Crow, Flathead, Fort Hall, Hoopa, Owens Valley, Pine Ridge, Sacramento, San Carlos, Uintah, United Pueblos, and Yakima. The litigation covers such topics as rights-of-way, condemnation proceedings, construction, and land entries. Some maps and photographs are found among the records. Additional records include correspondence and reports prepared by Federal and local agencies concerning various other Indian irrigation or water supply projects relating to Bureau of Indian Affairs jurisdictions in Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming.

Divisional Records

Records of the Inspection Division

48.244 On August 1, 1924, the inspection units of the Department were consolidated into an Inspection Division in the Office of the Secretary under the direction of a Chief Inspector. Included were inspectors of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, General Land Office, and Bureau of Reclamation and special examiners of the Bureau of Pensions. The Division was out of operation by 1928. Records concerning inspection work dated as early as 1906 have been incorporated with the records of the Division.

48.245 Bureau of Indian Affairs inspection reports, 1907-24 (3 ft.), are arranged in rough alphabetical order by name of agency, school, tribe, State, or other designation. The reports relate to general inspections of conditions at agencies, schools, and reservations and to investigations of land allotments, liquor control, conduct of employees, office procedures, finances, alleged crimes, and other more specific subjects. Also found, in addition to the reports of inspections and investigations, are transmittal letters and enclosures, which include affidavits, transcripts of testimony, correspondence, petitions, maps, photographs, clippings, and tables. An alphabetical list of jurisdictions inspected is available; jurisdictions inspected before 1913 are listed in the table beginning on the following page. Among the files not identified by jurisdiction are records concerning charges of cattle trespass on the Santa Clara Indian Reservation involving C.J. Crandall, Superintendent of the Santa Fe School, and Clara True; charges of bribery and jury tampering in the 1911 trial of Juan Cruz; and investigations in 1912 of the circumstances surrounding the murder of Will H. Stanley, Superintendent of Soboba School, and of charges brought against F.C. Wilson,

TABLE - 48.245
Inspection Reports, 1907-24

Jurisdiction	Dates
Big Pine School (CA)	1910
Bishop Agency (CA)	1910
Bismarck School (ND)	1911
Blackfeet Agency (MT)	1909
Camp McDowell Agency (AZ)	1910
Camp Verde School (AZ)	1910
Carlisle Indian School (PA)	1909-14
Carson School (NV)	1910
Cass Lake Agency (MN)	1910
Choctaw: Council Irregularities	1911
Colorado River Reservation (AZ)	1907, 1910, 1912
Colville Reservation (WA)	1912
Crow Reservation (MT)	1908-12
Crow Creek Agency (SD)	1910
Deer River (MN): Closing of Saloons	1909-10
Digger Reservation (CA)	1910
Fallon Agency (NV)	1910
Five Civilized Tribes Schools in Oklahoma	1910-18
Fond du Lac Reservation (MN)	1911
Fort Apache Agency (AZ)	1910
Fort Berthold Agency (ND)	1910
Fort Bidwell School (CA)	1910
Fort Lapwai Agency (ID)	1909
Fort McDermitt Agency (NV)	1910
Fort Mojave School (AZ)	1907, 1910
Fort Peck Reservation (MT)	1909-10
Fort Yuma Agency (CA)	1910
Greenville School (CA)	1910
Haskell Institute (KS)	1911
Hoopa Valley Agency (CA)	1910
Independence School (CA)	1910
Jemez Pueblo (NM)	1912
Kaibab Agency (AZ)	1910
Klamath Agency (OR)	1910
Lovelock School (NV)	1910
Lower Brule Agency (SD)	1909
Mission Indian Reservations (CA)	1910
Moapa River Agency (NV)	1910

Jurisdiction	Dates
Moqui Agency (AZ)	1910
Navajo Reservation (NM)	1908-10
Neah Bay Agency (WA)	1909-10
Nevada Agency (NV)	1910
Omaha Reservation (NE)	1909
Osage Agency (OK)	1910, 1912
Oto & Missouria: Court of Claims Case	1912
Papago Agency (AZ)	1910
Phoenix School (AZ)	1910
Pima Agency (AZ), *also see* Schools	1910-11
Pine Ridge Agency (SD)	1910, 1912
Potawatomi Agency (KS)	1911
Pyramid Lake Reservation (NV)	1910
Quapaw Agency (OK)	1910
Rice Station School (AZ)	1912
Roosevelt School (AZ)	1910
Rosebud Agency (SD)	1911
Round Valley School (CA)	1912
San Carlos Agency (AZ)	1910
San Juan School (NM)	1910
Schools, Pima (AZ)	1910
Sherman Institute (CA)	1910
Shivwits Agency (UT)	1910
Shoshone, Wind River Agency (WY)	1911-12
Sisseton Agency (SD)	1910
Southern Ute Agency (CO)	1912
Standing Rock Agency (ND)	1910-11
Tongue River Agency (MT)	1909
Truxton Canyon School (AZ)	1910
Tule River Agency (AZ)	1910
Uinta Reservation (UT)	1911-12
Umatilla Agency (OR)	1911
Upper Lake Agency (CA)	1910
Wahpeton School (ND)	1909
Walker River Reservation (NV)	1910
Western Navajo Agency (AZ)	1910
Western Shoshone Agency (ID)	1910
Wind River Reservation (WY), *also see* Shoshone	1907
Winnebago Reservation (NE)	1911-12
Yakima Agency (WA)	1909

Special Attorney for the Pueblo Indians, and H.F. Coggeshall, Superintendent of the Santa Fe Indian School. An extensive series of reports of Indian jurisdictions for the post-1907 period is found among the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (entry 953, PI 162).

48.246 General Land Office inspection reports, 1906-24 (6 in.), chiefly concerning inspections and investigations of land offices and offices of Surveyors General, are arranged alphabetically by name of State. Some of the reports are accompanied by affidavits, transcripts of testimony, and correspondence. Pre-1913 reports are available for offices in Colorado (Denver and Lamar in 1908, Hugo in 1912); North Dakota (Bismarck, 1910); South Dakota (Chamberlain, 1910); and Utah (Salt Lake City, 1908). Also included are reports on the fraudulent acquisition of lands near Worland, WY (1906), and the examination of certain tracts in Wyoming (1907).

48.247 Most of the **Bureau of Reclamation inspection reports and related records, 1909-24** (3 ft.), arranged alphabetically by name of project, consist chiefly of reports of inspections of projects, but some letters, memorandums, photographs, maps, plans, charts, tables, vouchers, and clippings are included. A complete list of reports is available, but only the following items date from the pre-1913 period: inspection reports for the Grand Valley (1909) and North Platte (1909) projects; a general inspection report on reclamation projects in the West (1909); and an investigation report concerning charges that T.A. Noble, an engineer with the U.S. Reclamation Service, had illegally acquired public lands (1912).

48.248 Chronologically arranged press copies of letters and reports to the Secretary of the Interior, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, land office officials, Territorial officials, and others are part of the **letters and reports sent by Special Inspector Ernest P. Holcombe, 1906-9** (2 vols., 3 in.). From May 1906 through June 1908, Holcombe was concerned chiefly with the investigation of land matters in the Territory of New Mexico. Thereafter, his principal duty was the inspection of land offices and offices of Surveyors General in several States and Territories. Among these records are a few personal letters and many copies of enclosures, including documents dated before 1906. Records produced during Holcombe's tenure as Chief Supervisor of the Inspection Service of the Office of Indian Affairs, 1909-10, are in the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (RG 75).

Records Relating to Interdepartmental Commissions and Committees

Records of the National Conservation Commission

48.249 The National Conservation Commission was established by an Executive order June 8, 1908, to consider and advise the President on the condition and care of the natural resources of the country. Gifford Pinchot of the Forest Service chaired the Commission, which was composed of Members of Congress, and representatives of Federal agencies and the general public. The Commission discontinued its work in March 1909, following a prohibition by Congress of the use of public funds by commissions not established by law. Records relating to the Commission that are part of Record Group 95, Records of the Forest Service, are described in *The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-1912: Part III, A Guide to Records of the Department of Agriculture for the Territorial Period*.

48.250 George W. Woodruff, Assistant Attorney General for the Department of the Interior, was the member of the Commission charged with the compilation of Federal, State, and Territorial statutes and court decisions concerning water rights and related subjects. Woodruff assigned this work to Assistant Attorney C. Edward Wright. **Records concerning water rights, 1908-9** (5 in.), maintained by Wright, consist of letters received, copies of letters sent, memorandums, reports, newspaper clippings, copies of the *Congressional Record*, codes of acts, and other records relating chiefly to a compilation of Federal and State legislation and court decisions involving water rights and related subjects. The records include reports from the Office of Indian Affairs identifying power and reservoir sites on Indian reservations and grants or rights-of-way for irrigation purposes. The records are arranged for the most part alphabetically by name of State; among the States represented are California, Iowa, Missouri, Montana, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Washington, and Wyoming.

General Cartographic and Photographic Records

Cartographic Records

48.251 Filed apart from the textual records are **building plans and related records, 1873-1931** (297

items), that include blueprint architectural drawings for penitentiaries in Boise, ID, 1889 (13 items); Grafton, ND, 1891-92 (10 items); Salt Lake City, UT, 1886-95 (31 items); Walla Walla, WA, 1896-1900 (29 items); and Laramie, WY, 1888 (19 items). Also included in this series are plans for the Portland cement plant, Salt River Reservoir, Arizona, 1903 (8 items), and a bridge over Markle Fork, Keweah River, California, 1901 (3 items). Many drawings relate to records of the Patents and Miscellaneous Division.

48.252 Maps, graphs, hydrographs, cross-sections, profiles, and plans constitute the **records relating to the Lower Colorado River Project, ca. 1906-12** (80 items). Included are maps, dated 1906-11, of the lower part of the Colorado River, the Colorado River Delta, and the Imperial Valley, relating mainly to the protection of lands and property in the Imperial Valley against injury or destruction from changes in the channels of the Colorado; graphs, hydrographs, cross-sections, and profiles relating to the Colorado River; a map showing changes in the channel of part of the Colorado River between 1873 and 1903 and an oversize annotated blueprint sketch, dated 1910, showing changes in the channel near "House No. 9" on the main levee of the Colorado. Maps and profiles of railroads and levees and extensions of levees along the river include a diagrammatic sketch, dated 1909, showing the location of railroads along the Colorado River; a map, dated 1911, showing the final location of the levee line and railroad along the old bed of the lower Colorado River; an annotated map of railroad tracks near Andrade, CA; an annotated cross-section and profile of the California Development Company's first mile of the main canal and intake at Andrade; and plans, dated 1911, of chamber blasts at Andrade for the purpose of getting rock for the Abejas River closure. Annotated California Development Co. file maps, dated 1910, showing the possibility of floodwaters overtopping levees and bringing the waters of the Colorado River to the Salton Sea by way of the New River and elevations of important points. Also relating to the Abejas River area are a map of part of Lower California showing the topography in March 1909, when the Abejas River channel was in the process of cutting back to the Colorado River; a blueprint map dated 1909 showing the Abejas River; and a cross-section, dated 1911, of the Abejas River. Annotated photoprocessed copies of maps, some of which are copies Mexican map, annotated along the route of the New River, is accompanied by a cross-section, dated 1910, of Mexican maps, show Lower California, the Colorado River Valley, and the Colorado River Basin; a of the New River. Also available are triangulation plats of Volcano Lake and levee; a progress profile, dated 1908, of Volcano Lake levee and a profile, dated 1911, showing the proposed extensionof the levee; and a cross-section and maps, dated 1911-12, of the Bee River at a dam site.

48.253 Miscellaneous records include a large-scale manuscript plat in two sheets relating to the Lemhi Land and Irrigation Project, 1910, in Idaho (1 item); and maps separated from correspondence files (4 items) relating to the territories of Wyoming, Washington, and Oklahoma, 1886-1901. Other pertinent items concern territorial prisons (2 items) in Washington, 1870, and Colorado, 1874; a park in Bismarck, Dakota Territory, 1883 (1 item); and a 1902 blueprint map showing the amended location of the Missouri, Kansas, and Oklahoma Railroad Co. station at Cleveland, Pawnee County, Oklahoma Territory.

Photographic Records

48.254 Also filed apart from the textual records are photographs relating to States and Territories, ca. 1880-1908 and 1930 (**RST**). Many of these photographs were submitted with reports from the Territorial governors, and the subjects they cover include views of towns in Arizona and Oklahoma, national parks, industries, and agriculture; views of Hot Springs, AR; scenes of the Imperial Valley in California and Wind and Crystal Caves in South Dakota; American Indians and their schools; and the Oklahoma land rush. Miscellaneous photographs, ca. 1892-1954 (**M**), include photographic prints of portraits of John Wesley Powell and Secretary of Interior Zachariah Chandler; of other officials and employees of the Department of the Interior; and of American Indians. Also included are views of Yosemite National Park and of the Alaska exhibit building at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, St. Louis, MO, 1904. Portraits of officials of the Department of the Interior, including secretaries, assistant secretaries, assistant attorneys general, and solicitors, are the subject of a series of photographic and crayon photographic prints, 1862-1943 (**PO**, **PLS**).

TABLE - 48.183
Miscellaneous Records Subject Index

1. **Agency and Reservation Matters**
   4 (Tongue River, 1897)
   16 (Red Cloud, 1872)
   18 (Klamath, 1896)
   21 (Crow Creek, 1900)
   24 (Kiowa, Comanche & Wichita, 1887)
   27 (Standing Rock, 1897)
   39 (in South Kansas and Northern Nebraska, 1859)
   42 (in Indian Territory, 1890)
   58 (Kiowa, Comanche & Wichita, 1892)
   60 (Lapwai, 1866)
   61 (Quapaw, 1879)
   69 (San Carlos, 1887)
   73 (Colville, no date)
   83 (Uintah & Ouray, 1887)
   85 (Lemhi, 1887)
   87 (Union Agency, 1887)
   95 (Leech Lake, White Earth, 1901)
   97 (Osage, 1896)
   98 (Oto & Missouri, 1895)
   101 (Standing Rock, no date)
   115 (Gila Bend, 1896)
   120 (Pine Ridge, 1896)
   139 (Southern Ute, 1896)
   140 (Uncompahgre Ute, 1894)
   145 (Navajo, 1900)
   146 (Lapwai, 1875)
   151 (Jicarilla, ca. 1891)
   155 (Potawatomi, 1865)
   161 (Upper Platte, no date)
   170 (San Carlos, Warm Springs, 1877)
   177 (Sisseton, 1878)
   183 (Sioux, 1878)
   189 (White Earth, 1886)
   197 (Fort Hall, 1876)
   199 (Cheyenne River, 1876)
   200 (Los Pinos, 1881)
   201 (Fort Hall, 1876)
   207 (Cheyenne & Arapaho, 1885)
   212 (in Colorado, 1881)
   216 (Spotted Tail, 1877)
   220 (Klamath, 1877)
   223 (on the Missouri River, 1878)
   226 (White Earth, 1882)

2. **Agents** (listed alphabetically)
   F.D. Baldwin, 142 (1897)
   David Day, 132 (1895)
   S.G. Fischer, 2 (1895)
   Jesse Lee Hall, 24 and 59 (1887)
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	Valdes Marshall Pass and Northern	1909*
	Wasco County Electric & Water Power Co.	1909
	Washington & Great Northern	1907-12*
	Washington Railway & Electric Co.	1908*
	Wenatchee Valley & Northern	1908
	Western Dakota	1908-14
	Western Pacific	1907
	Willamette Pacific	1911
2-7	Timber Trespass (*files for States and Territories; no pre-1913 documents for Nebraska and Nevada; no files for Iowa and Texas*)	
2-8	Land Grants	
	Arizona - General	1912
	Atlantic & Pacific List	1907
	California	1908
	California & Oregon Land Co. Lists	1907
	Central Pacific Railroad Lists	1907
	Colorado	1907
	Corvallis & Yaquina Bay Wagon Roads	1908
	Dallas Military Road Co.	1908
	Great Northern Railroad	1908
	Hastings & Dakota Railroad	1909
	Iowa	1911
	Kansas	1910
	Louisiana	1909
	Minnesota	1910
	Minnesota Railway Lists	1907
	Missouri	1907
	Montana	1908
	Nevada	1907
	New Mexico - General	1908
	New Orleans Pacific Railroad	1907
	North Dakota	1907
	Northern Pacific Railroad	
	General	1908
	Idaho	1907
	Minnesota	1907
	North Dakota	1907
	Oregon	1907
	Washington	1907
	Wyoming	1908
	Oklahoma	1908
	Oregon	
	Coos Bay Wagon Road	1909
	General	1909

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	Oregon & California Railroad - General	1907
	St. Louis, Iron Mt. & Southern	1907-9*
	St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba	1907
	St. Paul and Sioux City	1909
	Santa Fe Pacific	
	Arizona	1908
	Cotton Land Co.	1910-11*
	Moqui	1907
	Moqui Aqua Fria Water & Land Co.	1908
	New Mexico	1907
	Zuni and Navajo Exchange, 1904 Act	1907
	South Dakota	1909
	Southern Pacific - California	1908
	Texas Pacific	1908
	Union Pacific	1908
	Utah	1907
	Washington	1908
2-9	Indian Reservations	
	Blackfeet	1907
	Cheyenne River	1909
	Chippewa	1907
	Coeur d'Alene	1907
	Colville	1908
	Crow	1908
	Devils Lake	1907
	Digger	1908*
	Flathead	1907
	Fond du Lac	1912*
	Fort Berthold	1909
	Fort Hall	1911
	Fort Peck	1908
	General	1908
	Gila River	1909*
	Grande Ronde	1911
	Hoopa Valley	1908-9
	Klamath	1908-12*
	Lemhi	1908-12
	Lower Brule	1907
	Mescalero Apache	1910
	Nez Perce	1909
	Pine Ridge	1911
	Pyramid Lake	1907
	Red Lake	1909
	Rosebud	1907

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	Round Valley	1910
	Santa Isabel	1907-8*
	Shoshone	1908
	Siletz	1911
	Spokane	1909
	Standing Rock	1908
	Uintah	1908
	Walker River	1908*
	Warm Springs	1908-13*
	Wind River	1912
	Yakima	1907-10*
	Yuma	1913*
	Zuni & Navajo	1911
2-10	Reservoir Rights-of-Way (*arranged alphabetically by name of company*)	
2-11	Miscellaneous Rights-of-Way (*arranged alphabetically, mostly by name of company*)	
2-12	Land Patents	
	Arizona	1908
	Arkansas	
	Detroit Timber & Lumber Co.	1908*
	General	1907
	California	
	Central Pacific	1907
	General	1907
	Colorado	
	Central Pacific	1910
	General	1907
	General	1907
	Idaho	1907
	Iowa	1909
	Kansas	1908
	Louisiana	1907
	Bradford, James L.	1908
	General	1908
	Minnesota	1907
	Hastings & Dakota	1907
	Missouri	1908
	Montana	1907
	Northern Pacific	1907
	Nebraska	1907
	Nevada	1907
	Central Pacific	1907
	New Mexico	1907

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	North Dakota	1907
	Northern Pacific	1910*
	Peltier, Frank	1908-13*
	Oklahoma	1908
	Oregon	1908
	Lieu Selections	1907-10*
	South Dakota	1907
	Utah	1909
	Central Pacific	1909-10*
	Union Pacific	1907-8*
	Washington	1907
	Northern Pacific	1907
	Wyoming	1908
2-14	Leases	
	General	1907
	New Mexico	1908
	Oklahoma	1910
2-17	Timber and Timber Land Sales	1907
2-18	Coal Lands	
	Classification and Valuation	1907
	General	1906
	Withdrawals	1910
2-19	Homestead Entries	
	General	1907
	Reduction of Area	1912
2-21	Military Reservations	
	Camp Bowie, AZ	1910
	Camp Cady, CA	1907
	Camp McDowell, AZ	
	Anna White Shipp	1907
	Fort Assiniboine, MT	1911
	Fort Bayard, NM	1907
	Fort Bridger, WY	1910
	Fort Brown, TX	1911
	Fort Dalles, OR	1911
	Fort Davis, TX	1909-10*
	Fort Duquesne, UT	1912*
	Fort Ellis, MT	1912*
	Fort Grant, AZ	1908
	Fort Hayes, KS	1910
	Fort Humboldt, CA	1910
	Fort Keogh, MT	1908
	Fort Laramie, WY	1911
	Fort McKinney, WY	1910

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	Fort Niobrara, NE	1907
	Fort Ringgold, TX	1911
	Fort Robinson, NE	1908
	Fort Sill, OK	1907
	Fort Spokane, WA	1911-13*
	Fort Stevenson, ND	1908*
	Fort Sumner, NM	1907
	Fort Supply, OK	1908*
	Fort Thornburgh, UT	1907
	General	1908
	Gig Harbor, WA	1908
	Mt. Whitney, CA	1911
	Ojo Caliente, NM	1907
2-22	Sale of Public Lands - Proceeds	1907
2-23	Unlawful Occupancy of Public Lands	
	Arizona	1912
	General	1908
2-26	Township Plats	1907
2-27	Restoration of Public Lands	1907
2-29	Special Agents - S. 51 (State of Idaho)	1909*
2-31	Illegal Fencing	
	Arizona	1913
	California	1907
	Colorado	1907
	General	1907
	Idaho	1911
	Kansas	1907
	Montana	1907
	Nebraska	1907
	Nevada	1911
	New Mexico	1907
	North Dakota	1909-13*
	Oklahoma	1907
	Oregon	1907
	South Dakota	1911-12*
	Washington	1912
	Wyoming	
	General	1906
	Red Bank Cattle Co.	1906
	Warren Livestock Co.	1906-12*
2-32	Timber Land Frauds	
	General	1907-11*
	Kester-Kettenbach Case	1907-13*
	Oregon	1908

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2-33	Oklahoma Pasture Lands - General	1907
2-35	Registers and Receiver	1907
2-36	Hyde-Benson Land Fraud Cases	1907
2-38	Rainy River Improvement Co.	1908*
2-39	Circulars and Instructions	
	Carey Act	1909
	Coal Lands	1907
	Desert Land Entries	1907
	Enlarged Homesteads	1909
	General	1907
	Homestead Entries	
	Final Proof	1909
	General	1907
	Indian Reservations	1907
	Isolated Tracts	1907
	Land Grants	1907
	Mineral Lands	1907
	National Forests	1907
	Reclamation of Arid Lands	1907
	Repayments	1908
	Rights-of-Way	1907
	Sale of Lands	1907
	Second and Additional Entries	1907
	Surveys	1910
	Timber & Stone Act	1907
	Townsites	1907
	Withdrawals	1910
2-41	Oil Lands	
	California	1907
	Colorado	1909
	General	1908
	Louisiana	
	General	1908
	Ferry Lake	1908
	Nevada	1911
	New Mexico	1909
	Oregon	1909
	Utah	1908
	Wyoming	
	General	1908
2-43	Status of Public Lands	1908
2-47	Enlarged Homesteads	
	Arizona	1909
	California	1912

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	Colorado	1909
	General	1909
	Idaho	1911
	Montana	1909
	Nevada	1909
	New Mexico	1909
	North Dakota	1912
	Oregon	1909
	Utah	1909
	Washington	1909
	Wyoming	1909
2-48	Phosphate Lands	
	General	1908
	Idaho	1908
	Morse S. Duffield, et. al. (*Idaho*)	1911
	Utah	1908
	Utah - San Francisco Chemical Co.	1908
	Wyoming	1908
2-50	Cooperation	
	Forest Service & General Land Office	1909
	General	1912
	Geological Survey	1912
2-51	Riparian Rights - General	1908
2-52	Des Moines River Lands - General	1908
2-57	Victor Land Co. - General	1911-13*
2-58	Surveyors General	
	Arizona	1912
	California	1907
	Colorado	1907
	Idaho	1907
	Minnesota	1908*
	Miscellaneous	1907
	Montana	1909
	Nevada	1909
	New Mexico	1907
	Oregon	1909
	South Dakota	1908
	Wyoming	1908
2-59	Bitter Root Valley, MT	1908
2-60	Coal Land Frauds	
	Colorado - American Smelting and Refining Co.	1908
	Colorado General	1907

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	Lee & Benedict	1907-13*
	Porter Fuel Co.	1908
	Utah Fuel Co.	1906
	Miscellaneous	1906
	Nevada	1907-9*
	New Mexico	1907-13*
	New Mexico - Phelps-Dodge	1907-9*
	New Mexico - Yankee Fuel Co.	1907
	Oregon	1907*
	Utah	
	Freed, et. al.	1907-13*
	General	1906
	Washington	1912*
	Wyoming	
	Dally, et. al.	1907
	Diamond & Coke Co.	1908
	Miscellaneous	1907
	Union Pacific Coal Co.	1904-12*
	Wyoming Coal Mining Co.	1907-12*
2-61	Fences on Public Land	1908
2-62	Contested Homestead Entries	1907
2-68	Reservations for Military and Naval Purposes (*files for States and Territories: pre-1913 records for Arizona, Idaho, Louisiana, Montana, New Mexico, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming; no files for Iowa, Kansas, and Missouri*)	
2-70	School Lands (*files for State and Territories: no files for Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, and Texas; special file for the University of Idaho, 1910-13*)	
2-71	Timber Cutting Permits	1907
2-74	Day Creek Coal Assoc. and H.M. Chittenden	1907-8*
2-75	Goldfield Townsite, NV	1907
2-76	Colville Mineral Entries	1907
2-77	British Butte Placer Mining Co.	1907-9*
2-81	*United States* v. *Arthur A. Sweet*	1907
2-82	Imperial Valley - California	
	General	1905
	Hammers, William B.	1909-11*
	(*and five other subheadings*)	
2-84	Coal Lands, Uintah Co., Wyoming	1906-9*
2-86	Withdrawals	
	Arizona	1909
	Arkansas	1908

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	California	1909
	Colorado	1913
	General	1910
	Montana	1909*
	New Mexico	1908
	Oregon	1909
	Wyoming	1909
2-88	Commissioner of Railroads	1907*
2-89	Public Land Laws - General	1906
2-90	Portland Coal and Coke Co.	1907-10*
2-91	Court of Claims	1907
2-92	Evidence of Title - President's Order of January 25, 1907	1907*
2-93	Drainage - General	1907
2-95	Land Courts - General	1906-7*
2-96	Islands - General (*and six other subheadings*)	1907
2-97	Smelters - Damage Caused by	1909
2-98	Private Land Grants	
	General	1907
	Mora	1907
	Sangre Cristo	1907
2-100	Mississippi River Improvements	1907
2-101	Surveys (*files for all States and Territories but no pre-1913 records for Iowa, Missouri, North Dakota, and Washington*)	
	National Forests	1907
2-102	Timber and Stone Act	1907
2-105	Lake of the Woods	1908
2-106	Townsite Reservations (*files for all States and Territories except Missouri, South Dakota, and Texas; pre-1913 records for those listed below*):	
	Arizona	1909
	Arkansas	1912
	California	
	Copper City	1910
	Colorado	1912
	General	1907
	Idaho	1909
	Nevada	1907
	New Mexico	1910
	Oklahoma	1907
	Utah	
	Duchesne	1912
	General	1912

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	Myton	1908
	Randlett	1912
	Washington	1908
2-107	Coal Land Legislation	
	General	1906-9*
	Surface Rights of Entrymen Act, 1909	1909*
2-109	Land Frauds (*files for all States and Territories but no pre-1913 records for Nevada or South Dakota; special files for Oregon as listed below*)	
	Oregon	
	Dorgan-Devine	1904-12*
	General	1907
	Oregon Lumber Co.	1910
2-112	Field Service - Quarters	1907
2-113	Boundary Lines	
	Arkansas-Oklahoma	1909
	General	1909
	Idaho-Washington	1908
	Nebraska-Wyoming	1907
	Texas-New Mexico	1908
	United States-Canada	1907
	United States-Mexico	1907
2-114	Reports General Land Office	1907
2-115	Water Power Sites	
	General	1906
	Idaho and Utah Conditions	1912
	Restorations	1909-10
	Withdrawals	1908-11
2-116	Certificates of Deposit	1907
2-117	Scrip - General	1907
2-118	Maps (*arranged alphabetically by name of individual or company*)	
2-119	Dry Farming	1907
2-120	Isolated Tracts of Public Lands, Sale of, etc.	1907
2-121	Reservations for the Protection of Birds	1907
2-124	Selections and Settlements in Areas Eliminated from National Forests	1910
2-125	Classification of Lands by Mineral Land Commissioners	1907
2-126	Proof on Land Entries	1907
2-127	Swamp Lands	
	Arkansas	1908
	California	1907
	General	1907
	Idaho	1913*

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	Iowa	1907
	Louisiana	1907
	Minnesota	
	Chippewas - Beaulieu, Gus	1908-9*
	Drainage Regulations	1908
	General	1906
	Missouri	1908
	Oregon	1907
2-128	Fish Hatcheries - General	1909
2-129	Arkansas Sunken Lands	
	Chapman and Dewey Land Co.	1909
	General	1908
	Wilson, Lee, and Co.	1909
2-132	National Public Domain League	1908
2-133	Farmers Mutual Ditch Co.	1909
2-134	Claims Against the Government	1907
2-136	Miscellaneous Charges	1907
2-137	Hon. Frank W. Mondell Homestead Entry (*Wyoming*)	1907*
2-138	Circulars and Publications	1909
2-139	Mineral Lands - General	1907
2-140	Survey Railroad Grants	1909
2-141	Desert Land Entries	
	General	1907
	Kaiser, A.A.	1907
	Wight, Sallie B. v. Heirs of William S. Young	1911
2-142	Stone Trespass	1910
2-143	U.S. Land Offices (*Records are arranged alphabetically by name. Offices having no pre-1913 records are not listed below.*)	
	Aberdeen, SD	1907-11*
	Alliance, NE	1907
	Alva, OK	1908*
	Baton Rouge, LA	1911
	Belle Fourche, SD	1909
	Billings, MT	1909
	Bismarck, ND	1908
	Blackfoot, ID	1908
	Boise, ID	1908
	Burns, OR	1910*
	Camden, AR	1909
	Carson City, NV	1907
	Carter, SD	1912-13*
	Chamberlain, SD	1907-13*

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Cheyenne, WY	1908
Clayton, NM	1907
Coeur d'Alene, ID	1911
Colby, KS	1908
Dallas, SD	1909*
Dalles, OR	1908
Dardanelle, AR	1906-8*
Del Norte, CO	1907
Denver, CO	1908
Devils Lake, ND	1908-13*
Dickinson, ND	1910
Douglas, WY	1908
Duluth, MN	1912
Durango, CO	1908
El Reno, OK	1910*
Eureka, CA	1910
Evanston, WY	1910
Fargo, ND	1908-1913*
Fort Sumner, NM	1910
General	1908
Glasgow, MT	1908
Glenwood Springs, CO	1908
Great Falls, MT	1909
Gregory, SD	1909
Gunnison, CO	1907*
Guthrie, OK	1909
Hailey, ID	1907
Havre, MT	1910
Helena, MT	1907
Hugo, CO	1908
Independence, CA	1912
Kalispell, MT	1910
La Grande, OR	1908
Lakeview, OR	1907
Lamar, CO	1910
Lander, WY	1908
Las Cruces, NM	1910
Lawton, OK	1907-11*
Leadville, CO	1907
Lemmon, SD	1908
Lewiston, ID	1911
Lincoln, NE	1907
Little Rock, AR	1910
Los Angeles, CA	1910

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	Minot, ND	1908
	Missoula, MT	1910
	Mitchell, SD	1907-9*
	Montrose, CO	1908
	Natchitoches, LA	1909-11*
	New Orleans, LA	1909-11*
	North Yakima, WA	1910
	Oakland, CA	1907-11*
	Olympia, WA	1908
	O'Neill, NE	1907
	Perry, OK	1907*
	Phoenix, AZ	1908
	Pierre, SD	1908
	Portland, OR	1911
	Pueblo, CO	1910
	Rapid City, SD	1908
	Redding, CA	1910-13
	Roseburg, OR	1907
	Roswell, NM	1909
	Sacramento, CA	1912
	Salt Lake City, UT	1907
	San Francisco, CA	1911
	Santa Fe, NM	1913
	Seattle, WA	1907
	Spokane, WA	1907
	Springfield, MO	1912
	Sundance, WY	1911
	Susanville, CA	1909
	Timber Lake, SD	1911
	Topeka, KS	1907
	Tucumcari, NM	1908
	Vale, OR	1910
	Valentine, NE	1912
	Vancouver, WA	1908
	Vernal, UT	1907
	Visalia, CA	1908
	Walla Walla, WA	1909
	Waterville, WA	1911
	Williston, ND	1908
	Woodward, OK	1907
2-144	Cattle Trespass	1911
2-145	Military Bounty Land Warrants - General	1907
2-147	Grazing on Public Domain: General	1907
2-148	Siletz Cases	1908

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2-150	Arkansas Diamond Fields	1910*
2-152	Reservations for Lighthouses and Coast Guard Services	1907
2-153	Withdrawals Under Act of June 25, 1910 (*Files are arranged by States or Territories, thereunder by some of the headings and subheadings listed below. Some pre-1913 files are included for Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Louisiana, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.*)	
	Coal - Restorations; Withdrawals	
	General	
	Mineral - Restorations; Withdrawals	
	Petroleum - Restorations; Withdrawals	
	Phosphate - Restorations; Withdrawals	
	Power Sites - Restorations; Withdrawals	
	Reservoir Sites	
	Timber	
2-155	Public Domain: General	1910
2-160	Copper Mountain Co.	1907-9*
2-164	Second Homestead Entries	1907
2-168	Conrad Land and Water Co.	1908
2-169	General	1907
2-170	Chucawalla Development Co.	1911
2-171	Greely Arizona Development Co.	1912
2-172	Suits - U.S. District and Circuit Courts	
	General	1907-12*
	(*Files for all States and Territories but Oklahoma*)	
2-173	Water Supply	
	Seattle, WA	1911
	Twin Falls, ID	1911
2-174	Mud Lake, Minnesota	1911
2-175	Public Land Hearings	1912
2-177	Transfer of Forest Service to Interior Dept.	1911
2-178	Land Reservations - Experimental Agriculture	
	General	1909
	Luther Burbank Spineless Cactus	1912
2-179	Lieu Selections	
	General	1912
	Victor Fuel Co. and Victor American Fuel Co.	1908
2-180	West Coast Portland Cement Co.	1910-13*
2-181	Potash Lands - General	1912
2-185	Game Reserves - General	1909
2-187	Conference of Western Governors - General	1912

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2-189	History of the General Land Office	1909
2-191	Assays	1909-13*
2-192	Medical Springs	
	New Mexico - Las Palomas - Hot Springs	1911
2-195	Small Holding Sections	1909
2-203	Taxation	1909
2-204	Hugo Seaburg (Public Lands Convention, Proceedings, 1911)	1907

File No. 3 Patent Office

3-1	Administrative - General	1907
3-3	Complaints, Miscellaneous	1907
3-15	Annual Reports	1907
3-16	Miscellaneous	1907
3-17	Attorneys	1907
3-23	Patent Decisions of the Commissioner of Patents and United States Courts	1908
3-25	Applications for Patents	1908
3-34	History of the Patent Office - General Data and Memorandums	

File No. 4 Pension Office

4-2	Pensions by Special Acts	1909
4-3	Inmates (Pensioners) of State and National Soldiers' Homes, Asylums, etc.	1907
4-4	History of Pension Office - General Data and Memorandums)	
4-15	Pension Records	1907
4-19	Complaints and Charges Against Postmasters and Others - General	1907
4-22	Agents and Attorneys - Eligibility for Admission to Practice Before the Pension Office	1907-8*
4-29	Military Records of Various Persons	1907
4-37	Miscellaneous Pension Cases, Claims, etc.	1904
4-44	Annual Reports	1907
4-45	Rental of Quarters for Pension Agencies	1907
4-52	Bounty Land Claims	1908

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File No. 5 Office of Indian Affairs

5-1 Indian Agencies (*Records are arranged alphabetically by name of agency or jurisdiction and thereunder by some or all of the subjects listed below.*)

Subjects

- Accounts
- Administrative
- Allotments
- Cemeteries
- Claims
- Competent Indians
- Contracts
- Dances
- Destitution
- Enrollment
- Heirship
- Hunting & Fishing
- Individual Moneys
- Investigations
- Irrigation
- Land Purchases
- Land Sales
- Leases of Rights-of-Way
- Openings
- Patents
- Permits
- Rights-of-Way
- Schools
- Stock
- Suits
- Timber
- Townsites
- Trespass
- Tribal Funds
- Tribal Officials
- Wills
- Withdrawals & Restorations

Agencies/Jurisdictions (*Dates indicate earliest files.*)

Albuquerque Indians	1907
Bishop	1907

File Classification Numbers and Titles	Beginning Date
5-1 (con.)	
Bismarck	1908
Blackfeet	1907
California Indians	1907
Camp Verde	1908
Canton Asylum	1907
Cantonment	1907
Carlisle Indians	1904
Carson Indians	1907
Carter	1908
Cass Lake	1907
Chamberlain	1907
Cheyenne & Arapaho	1907
Cheyenne River	1905
Chilocco	1907
Chippewa of Minnesota	1907
Coeur d'Alene	1907
Colorado River	1907
Colville	1907
Consolidated Utes	1907
Crow	1907
Crow Creek	1907
Cushman	1907
Digger	1909
Fallon	1908
FCT-Cherokee	1907
FCT-Chickasaw	1907
FCT-Choctaw	1907
FCT-Creek	1907
FCT-General	1905
FCT-Seminole	1907
Flandreau	1907
Flathead	1907
Fond du Lac	1907
Fort Apache	1907
Fort Belknap	1907
Fort Berthold	1907
Fort Bidwell	1907
Fort Lapwai	1907
Fort Lewis	1907
Fort McDermitt	1907
Fort Mojave	1907
Fort Peck	1907
Fort Shaw	1907
Fort Totten	1907

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5-1 (con.)	
Fort Yuma	1907
Genoa	1907
Grand Junction	1907
Grand Portage	1907
Greenville	1907
Hampton	1907
Haskell	1907
Havasupai	1908
Hoopa Valley	1907
Jicarilla	1907
Kaibab	1907
Kickapoo	1907
Kiowa	1907
Klamath	1907
Leech Lake	1907
Lemhi	1907
Lower Brule	1907
Luepp	1907
Mescalero	1907
Mission	1907
Moapa River	1909
Moqui	1907
Morris	1907
Navajo	1907
Navajo Springs	1909
Neah Bay	1909
Nett Lake	1908
Nevada	1907
Northern Pueblos	1907
Omaha	1907
Osage	1907
Oto	1907
Paiute	1908
Panquitch School	1908
Pawnee	1907
Phoenix	1907
Pierre	1907
Pima	1907
Pine Ridge	1907
Pipestone	1907
Ponca	1907
Potawatomi	1907
Pueblo	1908
Pueblo Bonita	1909

File Classification Numbers and Titles	Beginning Date
5-1 (con.)	
Pueblo Day School	1907
Puyallup	1907
Quapaw	1907
Rapid City	1907
Red Lake	1907
Red Moon	1908
Rice Station	1907
Rocky Boy	1909
Rosebud	1907
Roseburg	1910
Round Valley	1907
Sac and Fox (Iowa)	1907
Sac and Fox (Oklahoma)	1907
St. Louis Warehouse	1907
Salem	1907
Salt River	1907
San Carlos	1907
San Francisco Warehouse	1907
San Juan	1907
San Xavier	1907
Santa Fe	1907
Santee	1907
Seger	1907
Seneca	1907
Shawnee	1907
Sherman Institute	1907
Shivwits	1907
Shoshone	1907
Siletz	1907
Sisseton	1907
Southern Pueblos	1910
Southern Utes	1907
Spokane	1907
Springfield	1907
Standing Rock	1907
Taholah	1907
Tongue River	1907
Truxton Canyon	1907
Tulalip	1907
Tule River	1908
Turtle Mountain	1907
Uintah and Ouray	1907
Umatilla	1907
Ute Mountain	1907

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	5-1 (con.)	
	Vermillion Lake	1907
	Wahpeton	1907
	Walker River	1907
	Warm Springs	1907
	Western Navajo	1907
	Western Shoshone	1907
	White Earth	1907
	Winnebago	1907
	Yakima	1907
	Yankton	1907
	Zuni	1907
5-4	Board of Indian Commissioners	
	Annual Reports	1907
	General	1906
5-5	Conferences	
	General	1910
	Lake Mohonk	1908
5-6	General	
	Accounts (*nine subheadings*)	1907
	Allotments	
	Contests - Garrett v. Charlotte & Pete	1910-11*
	General	1907
	National Forests	1910
	Public Domain	
	General	1907
	Moore, James F.	1907-9*
	Appropriations (*four subheadings*)	1907
	Attorneys and Agents	1907
	Cemeteries	1909
	Claims	
	Depredations	1907
	General Land Office	1912
	Geological Survey	1911
	Competent Indians - General	1911
	Demonstration Farms	1910
	Destitution	1908
	Drainage	1910
	Expenditures	1907
	Field Service	1909
	General	1907
	Guardianship	1910
	Health Conditions	
	General	1912
	Smallpox	1907

File Classification Numbers and Titles	Beginning Date
Tuberculosis and Trachoma	1911
Heirship - General	1911
Indian Associations	
Brotherhood of North American Indians	1911-12*
Educated Indians Association	1911
General	1911
Indian Rights Association	1910
Society of American Indians	1912
Indian Employment - General	1907
Individual Moneys - General	1912
Insane Indians	1907
Irrigation	
Administrative	1912
General	1909
Land Sales	
General	1907
Tribal	1910
Leases	
General	1907
Tribal	1908
Waste of Natural Gas	1912
Patents - General	1907
Permits	
General	1908
Grazing	1909
Traders	1909
Pipelines	
Haskell Correspondence	1906
Regulations	1906
Positions and Salaries	1907
Prisoners	1912
Quarters	1907
Rights-of-Way - Regulations	1907
Roads	1909
Schools	
Contracts	1907
General	1907
Gill, Wilson L.	1912
Regulations	1909
Sioux Benefits	1909
Suits - General	1907
Supplies and Contracts (*14 subheadings*)	1907
Taxation	1908
Telephone and Telegraph Lines	1909

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	Timber	
	General	1908
	Regulations	1907
	Townsites	1907
	Trespass	
	Stock	1911
	Timber	1910
	Tribal Funds	1907
	Tribal Officials	1909
	Voting Rights	1912
	Wills - Regulations	1910
	Withdrawals and Restorations	1909
5-7	Annual Report, Commissioner of Indian Affairs	1907
5-8	Oil Situation	
	General	1907
	Price of Oil	1907
5-9	Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions	
	Buildings and Land	1907
	Contracts	1907
	General	1909
	Splitlog, Mathias	1910
5-10	Removal of Restrictions	
	Miscellaneous	1907
	Omaha Indians	1909
	Ottawa	1912
	Quapaw	1912
	Surplus Allotments	1907
	Townsite Purposes	1907
5-11	Administrative	
	General	1909
	History of the Indian Office	1912
5-12	Charges Against U.S. Attorneys (*two files*)	1907-10*
5-13	Impersonation of U.S. Officials (*three files*)	1909
5-15	Industry Among Indians - General	1912
5-16	Suppression of Liquor Traffic	
	Arizona	1907
	California	1907
	Colorado	1908
	General	1907
	Idaho	1908
	Iowa	1909
	Kansas	1910
	Minnesota	1909
	Montana	1908

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	Nebraska	1907
	Nevada	1908
	New Mexico	
	General	1907
	Juan Cruz	1911
	Sandoval, Felipe	1912
	Oklahoma	1907
	Oregon	1909
	Peyote	1910
	South Dakota	1909
	Utah	1907
	Washington	1908
	Wyoming	1908
5-19	Circulars	1907
5-20	Washington Water Power Co.	
	Coeur d'Alene	1909
	Spokane	1908
5-25	Cooperation	
	Forest Service	1908
	General	1911
	War Department	1912
5-28	Intruder Cases	
	Booker v. Bartlesville Vitrified Rock Co.	1909
	General	1907
5-29	Indian Warehouses	
	General	1909
	Omaha	1912
	St. Louis	1910
	San Francisco	1909
5-30	Removal of Undesirable Persons from Indian Reservations	1907
5-32	Condemnation Proceedings	1907
5-33	Miscellaneous Claims	
	General	1907
	MacDonald, Charles W.	1911
	Omaha Tribe of Indians	1911
5-34	Regulations Governing Leasing and Sale of Indian Lands	
	Five Civilized Tribes	1907-13*
	General	1909-13*
5-40	Lands for California Indians	1907
5-42	Issuance of Patents and Setting Aside Lands for Religious Organizations - General	1907
5-58	Lands for Power Plants	1907-9*

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
5-60	Court Cases (*Files are arranged alphabetically by name of individual, State, or subject.*)	1907
5-61	Livestock	
	Diseased	1907
	General	1908
	Purchase - General	1906
5-67	Fish Hatcheries	1909
5-69	District Agents	1908
5-70	Indians for Show/Exhibit Purposes - General	1907
5-71	Analyses of Water and Soil	1911
5-72	Decisions of U.S. Courts	1907
5-84	Removal of Indians	1907
5-91	Visiting Indians	1911
5-96	Complaints Against Administration	1912
5-97	Leasing Tribal Lands, Cheyenne River Sioux	1907
5-99	Religious Work Among Indians	1911
5-101	Depositories of Tribal Moneys	
	Five Civilized Tribes	1911
	General	1908
5-106	Railroad Rights of Way	
	Arizona Eastern	1909
	Arizona & California	1907
	Arizona & Colorado	1908
	Arkansas & Oklahoma	1909
	Arkansas, Red River & Paris	1909
	Arkansas Valley & Western	1907*
	Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe - General	1907
	Big Bend Transit	1908
	Big Horn (*see also* C.B. & Q., *below*)	1907
	Big Horn Canyon Irrigation and Power Co.	1912
	Central Pacific	1909
	Chicago, Burlington & Quincy (*see* Big Horn)	1907
	Chicago, Milwaukee and Puget Sound	1909
	Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul	1907
	Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific	1907
	Chicago & Northwestern	1907
	Clearwater Shortline	1907
	Clinton & Oklahoma Western	1912
	Craig Mountain	1909-13*
	Denison & Northern	1908*
	Denver, Northwestern & Pacific	1907
	Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic	1911-12*
	Enid & Anadarko	1910
	Fernley & Lassen	1910*

File Classification Numbers and Titles	Beginning Date
5-106 (con.)	
Flathead Power and Traction Co.	1911
Fort Smith & Western	1907
General	1907
Gray's Harbor	1909-11*
Great Northern	1908
Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe	1907
Idaho & Northwestern	1907
Idaho & Washington	1910*
Idaho & Western	1912
Inter-California	1909-10*
Iowa Railway	1912-13*
Kansas & Arkansas	1907-12*
Kansas City & Olathe	1908*
Lake Creek	1907-10*
Lawrence Railway	1910*
Lawton Railway	1912
Lawton & Fort Sill	1910-12*
Marysville & Arlington	1907-8*
Midland Valley	1907
Minneapolis, Red Lake & Manitoba	1911
Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie	1907
Minnesota, Dakota & Pacific	1909
Minnesota & Manitoba	1910
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	1907
Missouri, Oklahoma & Gulf	1912-13*
Missouri River	1907
Missouri River & Gulf	1908*
Montana, Wyoming & Southern	1909*
Montana & Great Northern	1909*
Nevada, California & Oregon	1909*
North Coast Railway	1909-13*
North Yakima	1910
Northern Pacific	1908
Northwestern Electric Co.	1911
Northwestern Lumber Co.	1909-10*
Olympic Peninsula	1909-10*
Oregon Eastern	1908
Oregon Short Line	1907
Oregon Trunk Line	1907
Oregon, Washington Railway & Navigation	1909
Oregon & Washington Railway	1907-8*
Parker Transportation Co.	1907-10*
Parker & Colorado River	1912
Portland & Seattle	1907-8

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	5-106 (con.)	
	Regulations	1908-10*
	St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern	1909*
	St. Louis & San Francisco	1907
	St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba	1907
	San Joaquin & Eastern	1912
	Santa Fe Pacific	1909
	Southern Pacific	1907
	Spokane & British Columbia	1909
	Tekoa & St. Marys River	1907*
	Toppenish, Simcoe & Western	1909-13*
	Union Pacific	1912
	Veblen & Northwestern	1908
	Washington Improvement and Development Co.	1907-11*
	Washington & Idaho	1908*
	Western Dakota	1908
	Western Pacific	1907
	Wichita Falls & Northwestern	1908-9*
	Wisconsin & Northern	1907-12*
	Wyoming & Northwestern	1907-13*
5-110	Survey and Marking of Boundaries	1907
5-111	Abandoned Military Reservations	
	Fort Apache, AZ	1913*
	Fort Washakie, WY	1907
	Fort Whipple, AZ	1913*
5-114	Religious Insignia	
	General	1912
	General (*alphabetical*)	1912
	Hearing	
	Commission on Indian Affairs	1912*
	Catholic Indian Missions, Bureau of	1911-12*
	Home Mission Council	1912*
5-121	Restoration of Annuities	1906-9*
5-122	Prosecution on Indictment for Conspiracy, Mansfield, McMurray, Cornish, et al.	1907

File No. 7 Geological Survey

7-2	Resources of the United States - Water	1908
7-4	Branch Offices (*Files are arranged alphabetically by name of office or subject. Pertinent file headings having pre-1913 records are the following.*)	

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	Billings	1907
	Boise	1911
	Denver	1907
	General	1908
	Helena	1907
	Portland	1907
	Reno	1908*
	Sacramento	1910
	St. Louis	1907
	Salt Lake City	1907
	San Francisco	1908
	Spokane	1911
	Tacoma	1912
7-5	Steel Hardening Metals	1907*
7-6	Topographic Branch	1907-10
7-7	Fuel Testing Plants	
	Denver	1907-9*
	General	1907-8*
	St. Louis	1907*
7-8	Fort Leavenworth Survey	1907-8*
7-9	Regulations	1907
7-10	Water Resources - General	1907
7-12	Bench Marks	1907
7-16	Survey Work in Various States and Territories	1907
7-17	Administrative - Accounts	1907
7-20	Fuels and Structural Materials	
	General	1906-11*
	Peat	1907
7-23	Conference of State Geologists	1907-8*
7-24	Minerals (*arranged alphabetically by name of mineral*)	
7-25	Cooperation	
	Census	1909-10*
	Forest Service	1907
	General	1908
	Post Office	1909
	Public Roads	1908*
	Soils, Bureau of (*Agriculture Department*)	1907
	War	1910
7-26	Comptroller of the Treasury, Decisions	1907
7-28	Complaints Against Postmaster	1907
7-29	Mine Rescue and Training Station	
	General	1908
	McAlester, OK	1910*
7-37	Plan of Operation	1909

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
7-38	Earthquakes	1907
7-39	Mining and Testing Laboratories	1908-12*
7-42	Contracts - General (*Other files are arranged alphabetically by name of firm.*)	1907
7-43	Miscellaneous	1907
7-46	Appropriations	
	Accounts	1910
	Allotments	1910
	Status	1907
7-51	National Advisory Board	1906-8*
7-54	Annual Reports	1907
7-55	Topographic Work	1910
7-61	Mining Industry, Proposed Establishment of Bureau of Mines	1907-10*
7-64	Analyzing and Assaying	
	Bullets, Cartridges, etc.	1907
	Coal	1907
	General	1908
7-66	Forest Service	1908*
7-71	Claims - General	1910

File No. 8 Reclamation

8-1	Organization and Methods - General	1902
8-2	Rules and Regulations	1908
8-3	Projects (*Records are arranged alphabetically, first by name of project and thereunder by subject. The quantity of records and number of subjects vary greatly from one project to another, but "Withdrawals and Restorations" files are found for all but a few projects. Subjects common to many projects are listed below.*)	

Subjects

- Acquisition of Rights
- Allotment
- Claims
- Contracts
- Drainage
- Experimental Farms
- Farm Units

File Classification Numbers and Titles	Beginning Date
General	
Homestead Entries	
Investigations	
Opinions, Assistant Attorney General	
Rights-of-Way	
Settlement and Entry of Lands	
Suits	
Townsites	
Users Associations	
Water Rights	
Withdrawals & Restorations	
Projects (*Dates indicate earliest files.*)	
Ana River	1907
Altus	1911
Battle Creek Reservoir	1908
Bear Lake	1907
Belle Fourche	1907
Big Bend	1907
Bismarck	1907
Bowman	1908
Buford Trenton	1907
Carlsbad	1907
Chelan	1908
Chewaucan	1912
Cheyenne River	1908
Cimarron	1908
Colorado River	1907
Colorado River Storage	1908
Dubois	1907
Garden City	1907
Grand Valley	1907
Harney	1912
Helena (*see* Townsend)	
Hondo	1907
Humboldt	1909
Huntley	1907
John Day	1909
Kittitas	1909
Klamath	1907
Kremmling Reservoir	1908
Lake Basin	1907
Las Vegas	1908
Lawton	1912

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	Little Colorado	1909
	Little Missouri	1907
	Lower Yellowstone	1907
	Madison River	1907
	Malheur	1908
	Marias River	1908
	Milk River	1907
	Minidoka	1907
	Musselshell	1909
	Nesson	1907
	North Platte	1907
	Okanogan	1907
	Orland	1907
	Owens River Valley	1907
	Owyhee	1910
	Palouse	1907
	Payette-Boise	1906
	Pitt River	1909
	Red River	1912
	Rio Grande	1907
	Sacramento	1908
	Shoshone	1907
	Strawberry Valley	1907
	Sun River	1907
	Sunnyside	1907
	Tieton	1907
	Townsend	1908
	Truckee-Carson	1907
	Umatilla	1907
	Uncompahgre	1907
	Urton Lake	1907
	Walker River	1907
	Washburn	1908
	White River	1909
	Williston	1907
	Yakima	1907
	Yuma	1907
	Yuma Desert, AZ	1907
8-4	Farm Units - General	1907
8-5	Contracts - General	1908
	(*and six other subheadings*)	
8-6	Reclamation Fund	
	Accounting and Allotting	1907
	General	1909

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
8-8	Colorado River	
	Distribution of Waters, Compact	1912
	General	1908
	Diversion of Waters	1907
8-11	General - Irrigation Congresses	1907
8-12	Homestead Entries - Frontier Investment Co.	1908
8-13	Water Power	
	General	1907
	Withdrawals	1907
8-14	Water Rights - General	1907
8-16	*Reclamation Record*	1908
8-17	Withdrawals	
	General	1909
	National Forests	1907
8-19	Irrigation - General	
	Arizona - General	1909
	California	1907
	Colorado	1907
	General	1912
	Kansas	1909
	Missouri	1910
	Montana - General	1908
	Nebraska - General	1912
	New Mexico	1908
	North Dakota	1909
	Oklahoma	1910
	Oregon - General	1909
	South Dakota	1910
	Texas	1907
	Utah	1908
	Washington	1909
	Wyoming	1906
8-20	Annual Reports	1907
8-21	Labor Conditions	
	Eight Hour Law - General	1907
	Yuma	1909
	General	1909
8-23	Office Quarters (*Records are arranged alphabetically by name of office; those with pre-1913 records are listed below.*)	
	Boise, ID	1908
	El Paso, TX	1909
	Fallon, NV	1909
	Grand Junction, CO	1908

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	Great Falls, MT	1912
	Helena, MT	1909
	Los Angeles, CA	1907
	Malta, MT	1912
	North Yakima, WA	1911
	Phoenix, AZ	1906
	Portland, OR	1910
	Provo, UT	1907
	San Francisco, CA	1911
	Sunnyside, WA	1910
8-26	Cooperation (*Records are arranged alphabetically by name of State or Federal agency. Subheadings with pre-1913 records are given below.*)	
	Agriculture	1907
	California	
	General	1909
	Iron Canyon	1909
	General	1907
	Indian Office	1910
	Nevada	1912
	Oregon	1912
8-29	Irrigation on Indian Reservations, Withdrawals	1909*
8-37	General	1907
8-38	Townsites - General	1911
8-40	Orders	1909*
8-42	Inspection of Works	1909
8-44	General Features of Reclamation Projects	1909*
8-46	Congressional Inspection of Reclamation Projects - Senate	1909-10*
8-50	Mineral Locations on Withdrawn Lands	1910
8-53	Rights-of-Way - General	1909
8-54	Charges	1910
8-55	Board of Army Engineers	1910
8-58	Drainage	1911
8-61	Water Users Associations	1912
8-64	Conferences (*see also* 8-75)	1912
8-70	History of Reclamation Service	1912
8-75	Conferences, Etc. - General: International Irrigation Congress (National Congress)	1907
8-81	Land Ownership by Employers	1909

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date

File No. 9 Territories and Island Possessions

(The pertinent files from this classification are part of Record Group 126, Records of the Office of Territories.)

File No. 10 Appeals

10-1	Forest Reserve Cases (*Records are arranged alphabetically by surname of individuals and by subject. Two obviously pertinent files are listed below.*)	
	General	1907
	Santa Fe Pacific Railroad	1907
10-2	Military Bounty Land Warrants	1907
10-3	Mineral - General (*Records are filed alphabetically under 47 additional subheadings that are primarily names of individuals and companies. Most files postdate 1912.*)	1907
10-4	Railroads	
	Benham, W.L.	1909
	Central Pacific	1908
	General	1908
	Great Northern	1907
	New Orleans Pacific	1907
	Northern Pacific	1907
	Oregon & California	1907
	Quinlaw, William P.	1908
	Santa Fe Pacific	1908
	Southern Pacific	1908
10-5	Repayments - General	1907
10-6	Settlement (*Files are arranged alphabetically by name of individual, company, or by subject. Most files begin after 1912. Two pertinent files are listed below.*)	
	General	1907
	Vicksburg, Shreveport & Pacific Railroad Co., and City of Shreveport	1910
10-7	State Selections	
	Arizona	1908
	California	
	General	1907

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	Buena Vista	1909
	Donley	1912
	Pierson	1912
	Colorado - General	1907
	Idaho	1908
	Iowa	1907
	Louisiana - General	1908
	Montana - General	1907
	Ludwig	1912
	North Dakota	1911
	Oklahoma	1907
	Oregon	1907
	South Dakota	1908
	Utah	1907
	Washington	1907
	Wyoming	1908
10-8	Survey - General	1907
10-9	Townsites	
	General	1907
	Molson, WA	1908
10-10	Rights-of-Way	
	Beattie-Leadbetter	1909-11*
	Bosco-Miller (*Wagon Wheel Gap Reservoir*)	1909
	Denver Power	1908
	Des Chutes Railroad Co.	1909*
	Eastern Ore Land Co.	1909
	Farmers Reservoir and Irrigation Co.	1909
	General	1907
	Silver Lake Power v. Los Angeles	1908-13*
	Sullivan, T.A.	1909
	Verde Water & Power (*Rio Verde Canal Co.*)	1910
10-11	Private Land Grants	
	General	1907
	Stevenson or Brazito Grant	1907
10-12	Scrip	
	General	1907
	Kean, A.E.	1908
10-13	Cedar Island Lake Survey, Malinda Tanner, et al.	1907-11*
10-15	Preferential Rights - State of Idaho v. Settlers	1907
10-16	Second Homestead Entries, Remanded Cases	1908
10-17	Statements of Appeal Cases	1908
10-18	Andrew Arent et al. v. William E. Moses & Iowa Railroad Land Co.	1907-8*
10-19	Chicago Northwestern Railroad v. Hiram Burch	1907-8*

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
10-20	Court Cases	
	Baca Float #3 - Watts v. Ballinger (*NM*)	1907
	Bales, W.P. (*OR*)	1908-11*
	Bauer, Leopold (*see* B. Jones)	
	Bell, R.K. (*NM*)	1912
	Boeschen, C. (*OR*)	1909-11
	Burke, E. (*CA*)	1912
	Cain, Cora B. (*WA*)	1907-9*
	Cartford, B.H. (*OR*)	1907*
	Clark, D.N. (*MO*)	1909-10*
	Coates, W.D. (*OR*)	1909-10
	Courtney, D.P. (*OR*)	1909-11*
	Darlington, J.A. (*CA*)	1911
	Ellis, Wm. R. (*OR*)	1909-10*
	Farley, George (*ND*)	1908-9*
	Finseth, Peter (*OR*)	1910-11*
	Fisher, F.C. (*WY*)	1908-11*
	Frackelton, William (*WY*)	1907
	General	1908
	Gilbert, L.M. (*OR*)	1910*
	Grand Canyon Railway Co. (*AZ*)	1907
	Grand Rapids Timber Co. (*OR*)	1909
	Gribble, W. (*ID*)	1908-9*
	Hobert, Calvin E. (*OR*)	1908-10*
	Hocum, H. (*OR*)	1909-11*
	Holverson, Thomas (*OR*)	1909*
	Jones, Benj./Bauer, Leopold (*CO*)	1910-12*
	Jones, T.C. (*CO*)	1908-13*
	Kosydar, Joseph (*OR*)	1909-10*
	Linn & Land Timber Co. (*MN*)	1912*
	Lucas, F.A. (*OR*)	1909-11*
	McClure, Helen (*MN*)	1907-11*
	McKenzie, A. (*MN*)	1911-12*
	MacManus, Chas. (*LA*)	1910-12*
	Neff, G.L. (*OR*)	1911
	Ness, M.S. (*OR*)	1908-13*
	Newton, Ira J. (*OK*)	1907-10*
	Nicholson, G.R. (*LA*)	1909
	Patton, Wm. J. (*WA*)	1908*
	Scully, Dennis (*NV*)	1908-13*
	Shaddy, Said (*ND*)	1908-9*
	Smith, Emerson D. (*NM*)	1909-10
	Southwick, Albert M. (*OR*)	1909-11*

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	Stadin, Gustave O. (*OR*)	1908-9*
	State Improvement Development Co. (*CA*)	1912
	Thomas, Morris (*MN*)	1910*
	Wagner, Amelia (*OR*)	1909-11*
	Williams, Ahijah (*OK*)	1909-11*
	Wolcott, Francis M. (*NE*)	1909-11
10-21	El Paso Brick Co.	1907
10-22	William Neal et al. v. Townsite of Oracle (*Arizona Territory*)	1908-9*
10-25	Aztec Land and Cattle Co. (*AZ*)	1907
10-26	Miscellaneous	1911
10-27	Frank L. Huston	1908
	Notices to Attorneys & General Land Office	1912*
10-29	Thomas B. Walker (*CA*)	1908

File No. 11 Bureau of Mines

11-2	Quarters - General	1910
11-3	Accounts and Appropriations - General	1910
11-4	Mine Rescue Stations (*Files are arranged alphabetically by name of site or subject. Listed below are pertinent files containing pre-1913 documents.*)	
	General	1910
	Rock Springs, WY	1910*
	Silverton, CO	1911-13*
	Trinidad, CO	1910*
11-6	Organization and Administration - General	1910
11-8	Rules and Regulations	1910
11-9	Publications	1910
11-10	Testing of Fuels and Structural Materials	1910
11-11	General	1910
11-13	Outside Work	
	Agriculture	1911
	General	1910
	Navy	1910
	Standards, Bureau of	1910
	War	1910
11-14	Mining Accidents	1910
11-17	Experimental Stations (*Records are arranged alphabetically by name of site or subject. Pertinent early records are found in two files listed on the adjoining page.*)	

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	Denver, CO	1910
	General	1910
11-20	Mining Laws, Decrees, Resolutions, Regulations, etc.	1910
11-22	Details of Employees on Official Business	1911
11-25	Annual Reports	1911
11-27	Field Force	1912
11-30	History of the Bureau of Mines (undated)	

File No. 12 Parks, Reservations, and Antiquities

(*Most early files in this classification are part of Record Group 79, Records of the National Park Service.*)

12-0	General	
	Cooperation	1910
	Proposed	1911
12-1	Permits for Archeological Research (*Arranged alphabetically by name of institution or individual*) - General	1900

File No. 13 Advertisements

13-1	Restoration of Land to Entry, National Forests (*Files are arranged alphabetically by name of forest. Most of these files contain authorities and land descriptions, and some contain correspondence. A few files were created after 1912, and they are not listed below.*)	
	Absaroka	1908
	Alamo	1908
	Angeles	1909-11*
	Apache	1908
	Aquarius	1908-11*
	Arapaho	1909-11*
	Arkansas	1908-12*
	Ashland	1908*
	Ashley	1908-13*
	Battlement	1911-12*
	Battlement Mesa	1907-10*
	Bear River	1907-8*
	Beaver	1908*

File Classification Numbers and Titles	Beginning Date
13-1 (con.)	
Beaverhead	1908
Big Hole	1908*
Big Horn	1907-12*
Bitterroot	1907
Blackfeet	1908
Black Hills	1907-12*
Black Mesa	1908-9*
Blue Mountains	1907-8*
Boise	1908-11*
Bonneville	1910-12*
Cabinet	1908
Cache	1908-12*
California	1908-12*
Caribou	1908
Carson	1909
Cascade	1907-12*
Cassia	1908*
Cave Hills	1908*
Challis	1910-12*
Charleston	1908*
Chelan	1908-11*
Cheyenne	1908-10*
Chiricahua	1908-11*
Clearwater	1908-12*
Cleveland	1908-13*
Cochetopa	1907-12*
Coconino (*also* Tusayan)	1908
Coeur d'Alene	1907
Colorado	1911-13*
Columbia	1909-12*
Colville	1908
Coquille	1908*
Coronado	1908
Crater	1908-12*
Crazy Mountain	1907*
Crook	1908
Crow Creek	1908*
Custer	1910
Dakota	1911-13*
Datil (*also* Gila)	1909
Deerlodge	1907-13*
Deschutes	1909
Devils Tower	1908*
Diamond Mountain	1907-8*

File Classification Numbers and Titles	Beginning Date
13-1 (con.)	
Dixie	1908-12*
Eldorado	1911*
Elkhorn	1908*
Fishlake	1909
Flathead	1908-13*
Fremont	1907-13*
Fruita (*see* La Sal)	
Gallatin	1907*
Gallinas	1909*
Garces	1908-12*
Gila	1908-12,*
Gila and Datil	1908-10*
Goose Lake (*also* Fremont)	1908*
Grand Canyon	1908-9*
Guadalupe	1908-9*
Gunnison	1908
Harney	1911-12*
Hayden	1909
Helena	1908-13*
Hell Gate	1908-10*
Henrys Lake	1907-9*
Heppner	1908-9*
Holy Cross	1907-12*
Huachuca	1908*
Humboldt	1909-13*
Idaho	1908-13*
Imnaha (*also* Wenaha)	1908*
Inyo	1909
Jefferson	1908
Jemez	1908-13*
Kaniksu	1908-12*
Kansas	1909-13*
Kern	1910-13*
Klamath	1907-12*
Kootenai	1908-12*
La Sal	1907
Las Animas	1907-10*
Lassen Peak	1908
Leadville (*also* Arapaho)	1908-11*
Lemhi	1908-11*
Lewis and Clark	1908
Lincoln	1907-11*
Little Belt (*also* Jefferson)	1907-8*

File Classification Numbers and Titles	Beginning Date
13-1 (con.)	
Lolo	1908
Long Pine (*also* Otter)	1908*
Madison	1907
Magdalena	1908*
Malheur	1908
Manti (*see* File no. 2-5)	
Manzano	1908
Medicine Bow	1907
Minidoka	1908*
Miscellaneous	1909
Missoula	1908-13*
Modoc	1908
Mono	1911-13*
Monterey	1911-12
Montezuma	1911-12
Monticello	1908*
Mt. Graham	1908*
Nebo	1909-13*
Nebraska	1909
Nevada	1910
Nezperce	1909
Norton Bay	1907*
Olympic	1907
Oregon	1909-11*
Otter	1908*
Ouray	1908*
Ozark	1909
Palisade	1911*
Park Range	1907-8*
Payette	1908-12*
Pecos	1908-13*
Pend d'Oreille (*also* Kaniksu)	1908-13*
Pike	1908-13*
Pikes Peak	1907-8*
Plumas	1907-13*
Pocatello (*also* Henrys Lake)	1908-13*
Powell	1909-12*
Prescott	1908-12*
Priest River	1908*
Raft River	1908*
Rainier	1907-12*
Rio Grande	1908
Routt	1908-11*
Ruby Mountains	1907-8*

File Classification Numbers and Titles	Beginning Date
13-1 (con.)	
Sacramento	1908*
Salmon	1909-13*
San Augustine	1908*
San Francisco Mountains	1908*
San Isabel	1908-12*
San Juan	1907-13*
Santa Barbara	1909
Santa Catalina	1908*
Santa Rita	1908*
Santa Rosa	1912*
Sawtooth	1907-13*
Sequoia	1908
Sevier	1910
Shasta	1907-11*
Short Pine (*see* Slim Buttes)	
Shoshone	1908
Sierra	1908-13*
Sierra Madre (*also* Medicine Bow)	1908*
Sioux	1908
Siskiyou	1908
Sitgreaves	1908-13*
Siuslaw	1908
Slim Buttes	1908*
Snoqualmie	1910*
Snowy Mountains	1907-8*
Sopris	1910
Stanislaus	1908-12*
Stony Creek	1908*
Sundance	1909-13*
Superior	1909*
Tahoe	1908
Taos	1908*
Targhee	1908-11*
Teton	1908-13*
Tillamook	1908*
Toiyabe	1909-12*
Tonto	1907-13*
Trinity	1908-13*
Tusayan	1911-12*
Uinta	1907
Umatilla	1910-11*
Umpqua	1908-13*
Uncompahgre (*also* La Sal)	1908*
Vancouver	1908*

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	13-1 (con.)	
	Verde	1908*
	Wallowa	1907-12*
	Warner Mountains	1907-8*
	Wasatch	1910-11*
	Washington	1907-10*
	Weiser (*also* Sawtooth)	1907*
	Wenaha	1907-13*
	Wenatchee	1908-12*
	Wet Mountains	1908*
	White River	1908
	Whitman	1908-12*
	Wichita	1911*
	Yellowstone (*also* Gallatin and Henrys Lake)	1907-8*
	Zuni	1908-13*
13-2	Restorations of Land to Entry, Reclamation Projects (*Files are arranged alphabetically by name of project. Most contain authorities and land descriptions, and some contain correspondence. A few files were created after 1912, and they are not included.*)	
	Battle Creek Reservoir	1908-9*
	Bear Lake	1907-10*
	Belle Fourche	1907-12*
	Big Bend	1908-9*
	Buford-Trenton	1908-11*
	Carlsbad	1907-11*
	Chelan	1909*
	Cheyenne	1908*
	Cheyenne River	1908*
	Colorado River	1907-10*
	Columbia River Basin	1909*
	Deschutes and Metolius Rivers	1910*
	Dubois	1907-11*
	Fort Peck	1910*
	Garden City	1908*
	Grand River	1908-10*
	Grand Valley	1909*
	Helena (*see* Townsend)	
	Hondo	1910*
	Humboldt	1910*
	Huntley	1908-9*
	John Day	1910*
	Klamath	1908-11*
	Kremmling Reservoir	1908-9*

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	Lake Basin	1907-8*
	La Plata	1907-8*
	Little Colorado	1908-9*
	Little Missouri	1908*
	Lower Powder River	1909-10*
	Lower Yellowstone	1907-9*
	Madison River	1907-9*
	Marias River	1908-9*
	Milk River	1908-12*
	Minidoka	1907
	Miscellaneous	1907-13*
	Musselshell	1909*
	Nesson	1909-10*
	North Platte	1907-12*
	Okanogan	1908
	Orland	1908-11*
	Owens River	1907-9*
	Palouse	1907-10*
	Payette-Boise	1908-13*
	Pitt River	1909*
	Rio Grande	1909-12*
	Rouge Canyon Reservoir	1907-8*
	Sacramento Valley	1907-8*
	St. Marys	1907-8*
	Salt River	1908-11*
	San Carlos	1908-10*
	Shoshone	1907-11*
	Silver Lake	1910*
	Strawberry Valley	1911*
	Sun River	1907-11*
	Sunnyside	1908-11*
	Tieton	1908-9*
	Townsend & Helena	1909*
	Truckee-Carson	1907-12*
	Umatilla	1907-11*
	Uncompahgre	1908-10*
	Walker River	1907-9*
	White River	1909*
	Williston	1908-11*
	Yakima	1906-12*
	Yuma	1908
13-3	Surveys and Resurveys (*arranged alphabetically by State or Territory*)	
	Arizona	1908-10*

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
	Arkansas	1908-11*
	California	1909*
	Colorado	1907-9*
	Idaho	1907-9*
	Louisiana	1908*
	Montana	1906-11*
	Nevada	1908-10*
	New Mexico	1908-9*
	North Dakota	1910*
	Utah	1908-10*
	Washington	1907-10*
	Wyoming	1907-10*
13-4	Land Offices and Districts (*changes in boundaries*)	1907
13-5	Sale of Timber Lands	
	Chippewa	1912*
	Choctaw	1907
13-6	Sales of Lots of Townsites on Indian Reservations	
	Cheyenne River & Standing Rock	1918*
	Coeur d'Alene	1910-13*
	Colorado River	1910*
	Flathead	1909-10*
	Heyburn, ID	1911*
	Kiowa, Comanche, and Apache	1907-8*
	Newell, SD	1911*
	Puyallup	1909*
	Uintah	1908*
	White Earth	1908-15*
13-7	Classification of Lands	1908
13-8	Construction Improvement and Repair, Indian Agencies, Reservations, and Schools	
	Albuquerque School	1907*
	Bishop School	1909-10*
	Bismarck School	1909-10*
	Cohuilla School	1908*
	Camp McDowell	1911*
	Camp Verde	1911*
	Campo Day School	1911*
	Canton Asylum	1907-8*
	Carlisle School	1907*
	Carson School	1908-9*
	Chamberlain School	1908*
	Cheyenne River School	1907*

File Classification Numbers and Titles	Beginning Date
13-8 (con.)	
Cheyenne & Arapaho	1911*
Chilocco	1907-13*
Coeur d'Alene	1911-13*
Colorado River	1911-12*
Colville	1907-8*
Crow	1908-12*
Crow Creek	1908-9*
Cushman School	1911*
Flandreau School	1907*
Flathead	1908-9*
Fort Belknap	1909
Fort Bidwell (*see* Likely Day School)	
Fort Hall	1911-12*
Fort Lewis School	1907*
Fort Mojave School	1908*
Fort Peck	1907-13*
Fort Totten	1910*
Genoa School	1909-10*
Greenville School	1911
Haskell Institute	1907
Havasupai School	1910-11*
Hoopa Valley	1911-12*
Jicarilla	1908*
Kiowa	1912*
Klamath	1909*
Leech Lake	1908-12*
Leupp School	1908*
Likely Day School	1912*
Lower Brule	1908*
Lummi	1909*
Mescalero School	1907*
Moapa River School	1909*
Navajo	1909-12*
Nett Lake	1909*
Nevada School	1909*
Osage	1909*
Otoe School	1909*
Pala	1909*
Pawnee School	1907-9*
Phoenix School	1907
Oglala Boarding School, Pine Ridge	1907-8*
Pierre School	1907-13*
Pima School	1910*
Pine Ridge	1908-13*

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
13-8 (con.)		
	Pipestone School	1907-12*
	Potawatomi	1908*
	Pueblos	1911-12*
	Puyallup	1909*
	Rapid City School	1909-12*
	Red Lake	1910*
	Riverside School	1907-11*
	Round Valley	1911*
	Salem School	1908-13*
	Salt River	1911*
	San Juan School	1907-9*
	Santa Fe School	1907-9*
	Seneca School	1907*
	Sherman Institute	1911
	Shoshone School	1909-13*
	Siletz	1909*
	Sisseton	1910*
	Southern Ute	1908*
	Standing Rock	1908-12*
	Tulalip School	1907-12*
	Turtle Mountain	1909-10*
	Uintah and Ouray	1907*
	Umatilla School	1907-10*
	Wahpeton School	1907-11*
	White Earth	1909-12*
	Winnebago School	1907-9*
	Yakima	1908-11*
13-9	Supplies, Indian Agencies, Reservations, and Schools	
	Carlisle School	1908-10*
	Carson School	1908*
	Crow Creek	1912*
	Fort Apache	1908*
	Fort Lewis	1907*
	Grand Junction School	1909*
	Indian Service - General	1907
	Phoenix School	1907-11*
	Pine Ridge	1912*
	Riverside School	1908*
	Salem School	1908-10*
	Sherman Institute	1910-11
	Standing Rock	1912*

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
13-10	Sale of Timber from Land Districts and Indian Reservations	
	Chippewa Reservations	1909-13*
	Flathead Reservation	1909-10*
	General	1908*
	Jicarilla Reservation	1911-12*
	Klamath Reservation	1912-13*
	Leech Lake Reservation	1907-12*
	Red Lake Reservation	1909*
	Sundance Land District	1909*
	Tongue River Reservation	1909*
13-11	General Land Office	1907-12
13-12	Sale of Lands	
	Chamberlain School	1909*
	Five Civilized Tribes	1910
	General	1908
	Huron Place Cemetery (*Kansas City, KS*)	1907-8*
	Lemhi	1909-10*
	Lots in Townsites (*other than Indians*)	1909-13*
	Moses Agreement Allotments	1909-10*
	Rosebud	1909-10*
13-13	National Parks	
	Glacier	1911
	Hot Springs	1910
	Platte	1908
	Yellowstone	1911
	Yosemite	1908
13-14	Patent Office - Miscellaneous	1908
13-24	Indian Agencies and Reservations	
	Coeur d'Alene	1908-9*
	Crow	1911
	Five Civilized Tribes	1908-13*
	Lemhi	1907-8*
	Miscellaneous	1908
	Navajo	1912*
	Nez Perce	1909*
	Pyramid Lake	1910*
	Rosebud	1911-12*
	Walapai	1910-11*
	Western Shoshone	1908
13-26	Lands restored to Entry Not in Connection With Either Forest Reserves or Reclamation Projects	1908
13-28	Geological Survey	1908

File Classification Numbers and Titles		Beginning Date
13-29	Oklahoma Town Lot Sale	1908
13-30	Miscellaneous	1906
13-33	Leasing of Tribal Indian Lands	1908
13-34	Lawton Townsite	1909
13-35	Bureau of Mines	1910
13-36	Distribution of Patronage	1911

File No. 15 Personnel Supervision and Management

(This section from the Classification Scheme for the Secretary's files, beginning in 1907 and continuing to 1942, was taken out of the Central Classified File and placed in the custody of the Division of Personnel Supervision and Management. The records are treated as a separate series and described in 48.236)

File No. 21 Recognition and Disbarment of Attorneys and Agents

21-2	Attorneys and Agents	
	Administrative	1908
	Disbarment, Correspondence	
	General	1908
	Notice to Bureaus	1907
	Rules and Regulations	
	General	1908

File No. 22 Presidential Appointees

(Official personnel folders of departmental officers appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate. Some of the folders contain documents dating from the 1890's. For the most part, the folders are arranged by office and thereunder alphabetically by surname of appointee.)

22-1	Allotting Agents for Lands
22-2	Assistant Secretary
22-3	Commissioner of Education
	Assistant Commissioner of Education
22-4	First Assistant Secretary
22-5	Commissioner of the General Land Office
22-6	Assistant Commissioner of the General Land Office

22-7 Recorder of the General Land Office
22-8 Director of the Geological Survey
22-10 Governor of Arizona
22-12 Governor of New Mexico
22-13 Indian Agents
22-15 Indian Inspectors
22-16 Board of Indian Commissioners
22-18 Governor of Oklahoma
22-23 Pension Agents:
Des Moines, IA
San Francisco, CA
22-25 Secretary of Arizona
22-27 Mine Inspectors - New Mexico
22-28 Surveyors General (*Records are arranged by State or Territory. Colorado records include a volume of testimony on charges against William G. Lewis.*)
Arizona
California
Colorado
Idaho
Louisiana
Minnesota
Montana
Nevada
New Mexico
North Dakota
Oregon
South Dakota
Utah
Washington
Wyoming
22-29 Commissioners to Inspect, Classify, and Appraise Lands
22-30 Miscellaneous Correspondence
22-31 Secretary of New Mexico
22-32 Coal and Asphalt Mine Trustee, Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations
22-33 Commissioner of Indian Affairs
22-35 Townsite Commissioner and Appraiser of Lands for Choctaw Nation in Indian Territory
22-36 Superintendent of Indian Schools
22-37 Registers and Receivers of General Land Office (*arranged alphabetically by name of land office and thereunder by surname of appointee*)
Aberdeen, SD

22-37 (con.)
- Akron, CO
- Alliance, NE
- Alva, OK
- Baton Rouge, LA
- Belle Fourche, SD
- Billings, MT
- Bismarck, ND
- Blackfoot, ID
- Boise, ID
- Boonville, MO
- Bozeman, MT
- Broken Bow, NE
- Buffalo, WY
- Burns, OR
- Camden, AR
- Carson City, NV
- Cass Lake, MN
- Chamberlain, SD
- Cheyenne, WY
- Clayton, NM
- Coeur d'Alene, ID
- Colby, KS
- Crookston, MN
- Dardanelle, AR
- Del Norte, CO
- Denver, CO
- Des Moines, IA
- Devils Lake, ND
- Dickinson, ND
- Dodge City, KS
- Douglas, WY
- Duluth, MN
- Durango, CO
- El Centro, CA
- Elko, NV
- El Reno, OK
- Eureka, CA
- Evanston, WY
- Fargo, ND
- Fort Sumner, NM
- Glasgow, MT
- Glenwood Springs, CO
- Great Falls, MT
- Gregory, SD

22-37 (con.)
Gunnison, CO
Guthrie, OK
Hailey, ID
Harrison, AR
Havre, MT
Helena, MT
Hugo, CO
Independence, CA
Kalispell, MT
La Grande, OR
Lakeview, OR
Lamar, CO
Lander, WY
Las Cruces, NM
Lawton, OK
Leadville, CO
Lemmon, SD
Lewiston, ID
Lewistown, MT
Lincoln, NE
Little Rock, AR
Los Angeles, CA
Magnum, OK
Miles City, MT
Minot, SD
Missoula, MT
Mitchell, SD
Montrose, Co
Natchitoches, LA
Newcastle, WY
New Orleans, LA
North Platte, NE
North Yakima (*see* Yakima)
Oakland, CA
O'Neill, NE
Oregon City, OR
Phoenix, AZ
Pierre, SD
Portland, OR
Pueblo, CO
Rapid City, SD
Redding, CA
Roseburg, OR
Roswell, NM

22-37 (con.)
- Sacramento, CA
- Salt Lake City, UT
- San Francisco, CA
- Santa Fe, NM
- Seattle, WA
- Spokane, WA
- Springfield, MO
- Sterling, CO
- Sundance, WY
- Susanville, CA
- The Dalles, OR
- Timber Lake, SD
- Topeka, KS
- Tucumcari, NM
- Vale, OR
- Valentine, NE
- Vancouver, WA
- Vernal, UT
- Visalia, CA
- Walla Walla, WA
- Waterville, WA
- Williston, ND
- Woodward, OK
- Yakima (North Yakima), WA

22-38 Principal Chief, Five Civilized Tribes

22-41 Deputy Commissioner of Pensions

22-42 Second Deputy Commissioner of Pensions

22-431 Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs

22-44 Secretary of the Interior

22-50 U.S. Government Board of Managers of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition

22-51 First Assistant Commissioner of Patents (*from July l, 1909*)

22-52 Second Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs (*from July 1, 1909*)

22-53 Director of the Bureau of Mines

22-54 Commissioner, Boundary Line between Texas and New Mexico

22-55 Appraiser of Surface of the Segregated Coal and Asphalt Lands of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations in Oklahoma

22-59 Superintendent for the Five Civilized Tribes in Oklahoma

22-60 Solicitor for the Interior Department

22-63 Commissioner of Reclamation

File No. 23 Status File

(*File contains official personnel folders of employees appointed by the Secretary of the Interior, that is, the rank-and-file of the Department. Sometime after 1907, File No. 23 was removed from the Central Classified File and thereafter maintained as a separate personnel file. Since becoming a separate file, the personnel folders have become known as the Status File, or "23 Alphabeticals." Folders for separated personnel are in the National Personnel Records Center, Civilian Personnel Records, 111 Winnebago St., St. Louis, MO, 63118.*)

File No. 24 Applications for Appointment (Presidential)

(*These are mainly applications for Presidential appointment, but also include a few applications for departmental appointment. The files, which date from 1907, are arranged numerically by title of position, thereunder alphabetically by name, and thereunder chronologically. Selected headings are given below.*)

24-1-1 Secretary of the Interior
24-1-2 First Assistant Secretary of the Interior
24-1-3 Assistant Secretary of the Interior
24-1-4 Solicitor (or Assistant Attorney General) for the Interior Department
24-2-1 Commissioner of Education
24-3-1 Commissioner of the General Land Office
24-3-2 Assistant Commissioner of the General Land Office
24-3-3 Recorder, General Land Office
24-3-4 Register of the Land Office (*subdivided alphabetically by name of land office and arranged thereunder by surname of applicant*)
- Alliance, NE
- Baton Rouge, LA
- Belle Fourche, SD
- Billings, MT
- Bismarck, ND
- Blackfoot, ID
- Boise, ID
- Bozeman, MT
- Broken Bow, NE
- Buffalo, WY
- Burns, OR
- Camden, AR
- Carson City, NV
- Cass Lake, MN

24-3-4 (con.)
Cheyenne, WY
Clayton, NM
Coeur d'Alene, ID
Crookston, MN
Del Norte, CA
Denver, CO
Des Moines, IA
Dickinson, ND
Dodge City, KS
Douglas, WY
Durango, CO
El Centro, CA
Eureka, CA
Evanston, WY
Ft. Sumner, NM
Glasgow, MT
Glenwood Springs, CO
Great Falls, MT
Gregory, SD
Guthrie, OK
Hailey, ID
Harrison, AR
Havre, MT
Helena, MT
Hugo, CO
Independence, CA
Kalispell, MT
La Grande, OR
Lakeview, OR
Lamar, CO
Lander, WY
Las Cruces, NM
Lawton, OK
Leadville, CO
Lemmon, SD
Lewiston, ID
Lincoln, NE
Little Rock, AR
Los Angeles, CA
Miles City, MT
Minot, ND
Missoula, MT
Montrose, CO
New Orleans, LA

24-3-4 (con.)
North Platte, NE
North Yakima, WA (*also* Yakima)
Oakland, CA
Olympia, WA
O'Neill, NE
Phoenix, AZ
Pierre, SD
Portland, OR
Pueblo, CO
Rapid City, SD
Roseburg, OR
Roswell, NM
Sacramento, CA
Salt Lake City, UT
San Francisco, CA
Santa Fe, NM
Seattle, WA
Spokane, WA
Springfield, MO
Sterling, CO
Sundance, WY
Susanville, CA
The Dalles, OR
Timber Lake, SD
Topeka, KS
Tucson, AZ
Tucumcari, NM
Vale, OR
Valentine, NE
Vancouver, WA
Vernal, UT
Visalia, CA
Walla Walla, WA
Waterville, WA
Williston, ND
Woodward, OK
Yakima, WA (North Yakima)

24-3-5 Surveyor General (*Subdivided by name of State or Territory and arranged alphabetically thereunder by surname of applicant*)
Arizona
California
Colorado
Idaho

Montana
Nevada
New Mexico
Oregon
South Dakota
Utah
Washington
Wyoming

24-4-1 Director of the Geological Survey
24-5-1 Commissioner of Indian Affairs
24-5-2 Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs
24-5-3 Member of Board of Indian Commissioners
24-5-4 Indian Inspector
24-5-5 Indian Agent
24-5-6 Superintendent of Indian Schools
24-5-7 Indian Allotting Agent
24-5-8 Commissioner to Classify and Appraise Lands
24-5-9 Coal Trustee, Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations
24-5-11 Principal Chief of the Five Civilized Tribes
24-5-12 Superintendent of the Five Civilized Tribes
24-6-1 Commissioner of Patents
24-6-4 Examiner in Chief, Patent Office
24-7-1 Commissioner of Pensions
24-7-2 Deputy Commissioner of Pensions
24-7-3 Second Deputy Commissioner of Pensions
24-7-4 Pension Agents
24-8-1 Director of Reclamation Service
24-10-2 Governor of Arizona
24-10-4 Governor of New Mexico
24-12-1 Director of Bureau of Mines
24-14-2 Member of Colorado River Commission
24-31-1 Board of Pension Examining Surgeons
24-31-2 Pension Examiner

File No. 25 Indian and Land Inspectors

25-0 Indian and Land Inspectors, Organization of
Force, General Instructions, etc. (Beginning date 1907)

25- Indian and Land Inspectors, Itinerary
(*Files are arranged alphabetically by surname of inspector and consist of instructions, correspondence, enclosures, occasional reports, and other records chronicling the work of the inspectors.*)

POSTSCRIPT

Legislation Files

The classification scheme of the Central Classified File includes a legislation subclass for almost every class of files. Sometime after 1907 all legislation material was removed from the Central Classified File and segregated in a legislation file **(48.238)**, arranged identically with the Central Classified File and maintained in close association with it. File No. 1-64 of the legislation file consists of indexes by bill and resolution number to legislative records concerning the 59th to 74th Congresses, covering the years 1907-36.

Record Group 193

RECORDS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF RAILROADS

In the annual reports for 1879 and 1880, the railroad engineer has spoken very plainly of the defects in the floors of many of the bridges and trestles on the Western railroads; that especially are they wanting in the proper guard-rails to save derailed trains from going through bridges into the streams below; and cites one case where the coroner's jury report[s], among other defects, that the railroad company's "floor system in use at the time of the accident, while in accordance with approved practice at the time of its construction, was not altogether safe, and it lacked the necessary precaution against disaster resulting from derailed trains."

No satisfactory reason can be given for the failure to supply such guards as shall give to the traveling community satisfactory assurance of protection from destruction, in case of derailment of locomotive or cars in passing over bridges.

H. Blackstone, Railroad Engineer, in Report of the Commissioner of Railroads, *1881, p. 427.*

INTRODUCTION

193.1 The Office of the Auditor of Railroad Accounts, later called the Office of the Commissioner of Railroads, was created by an act of Congress of June 19, 1878 (20 Stat. 169), which provided that the Office should have the status of a bureau in the Department of the Interior. The Auditor was to be appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate. Under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, the Auditor was "to prescribe a system of reports to be rendered to him by the railroad companies whose roads are in whole or in part west, north, or south of the Missouri River, and to which the United States have granted any loan of credit or subsidy in bonds or lands; to examine the books and accounts of each of said railroad companies once in each fiscal year, and at such other times as may be deemed by him necessary to determine the correctness of any reports received from them; to assist the Government directors of any of said railroad companies in all matters which come under their cognizance whenever they may officially request such assistance; to see that the laws relating to said companies are enforced; to furnish such information to the several departments of the Government in regard to tariffs for freight and passengers and in regard to the accounts of said railroad companies as may be by them required... ." The Auditor, however, was given no effective authority to enforce the laws, and so, inevitably, factfinding became his chief duty.

193.2 Some of the reports the Auditor was to examine were originally mandated by the first Pacific Railroad Act of July 1, 1862 (12 Stat. 489). This act not only provided for the establishment of a Government corporation to "lay out, locate, construct, furnish, maintain, and enjoy a continuous railroad" but also required the corporation and each railroad connected with it to submit an annual report to the Secretary of the Treasury. The report was to list the names and addresses of all stockholders and of all directors and officers; the amount of stock subscribed and the amount actually paid for; the lines surveyed, the lines determined for construction, and the cost of the surveys; receipts from passenger and freight traffic; expenses of operation and maintenance; and the amount of indebtedness. This report was to be sworn to by the president of the company and was to be filed with the Secretary of the Treasury before the first day of July of each year for the preceding calendar year.

193.3 The procedure for submitting the annual report was radically changed by an act of June 25, 1868, which provided that all reports required under the act of 1862 and its amendatory acts were to be filed with the Secretary of the Interior by October 1 of each year, instead of with the Secretary of the Treasury by July 1. Companies were to report the same information required by the act of 1862, but under the new law those that failed to file reports were subject to penalty for future noncompliance. The new law also required reports from the Northern Pacific, the Atlantic and Pacific, and the Southern Pacific--companies receiving aid from the Government under acts of July 2, 1864, and July 27, 1866. And, in order to concentrate the Government's rela-

tions with these companies under one responsible head, the law directed that the reports made by the U.S. commissioners charged with examining and reporting on completed construction, as required by the 1862 Pacific Railroad Act, also be filed with the Secretary of the Interior. Finally, all reports previously filed with the Secretary of the Treasury were to be transferred to the Secretary of the Interior.

193.4 The procedure provided by the act of 1868 was followed for almost 10 years. The act was administered by officials in the office of the Secretary of the Interior, but the shortage of personnel working on railroad matters permitted the railroads to violate the requirements with impunity. The reports that were submitted were often incomplete; the lack of uniformity in the accounts made the auditing task unnecessarily difficult; and the business of the Union Pacific and the Central Pacific had grown to such magnitude that yearly reports provided insufficient data for the Government to keep an effective record of the companies' affairs. For these reasons, Government directors of the Union Pacific proposed establishment of a special bureau in the Department of the Interior to handle railroad matters. This proposal was endorsed by the Secretary of the Interior, who in 1877 recommended the establishment of such a bureau. The result was the creation of the Office of the Auditor of Railroad Accounts in the following year.

193.5 The title Auditor of Railroad Accounts was changed to Commissioner of Railroads by an act of March 3, 1881. This act also provided for a railroad engineer and a messenger, who joined the existing staff of one bookkeeper, one assistant bookkeeper, one clerk, and one copyist. Aside from annual appropriations, Congress paid little attention to the Railroad Commissioner until an act of April 17, 1900, called for the termination of the office on June 30, 1901. Not until three years later, however, was the office abolished and its records transferred to the Secretary of the Interior, effective June 30, 1904.

193.6 An Executive order of February 9, 1905, directed that mail and reports from railroad companies addressed to the Commissioner of Railroads were to be routed to the Department of Commerce and Labor. This practice was shortlived, however; the Executive order was soon revoked and all records involved were transferred to the Department of the Interior, where they were placed with the other records of the Commissioner of Railroads. A few more additions were made to the files, and some removals when many of the Northern Pacific reports were withdrawn for use in several land-grant lawsuits against that railroad.

193.7 Closely related to the records of the Commissioner of Railroads are those of the United States Pacific Railway Commission, created by an act of Congress approved March 3, 1887. These records are also described in this chapter, since they were assigned to the Commissioner of Railroads in December 1887, after the Commission completed its work.

193.8 The records of the Commissioner of Railroads and the Pacific Railway Commission include correspondence, registers and indexes, statistical records, reports and other items submitted by railroads, the annual reports of the Commissioner, testimony and exhibits relating to the inquiry of the Pacific Railway Commission, and reference materials. Most records relate to the period 1878-1904, but a few are dated as early as 1862 and some as late as 1910.

193.9 Related records are found in Record Group 39, Records of the Bureau of Accounts (Treasury); Record Group 48, Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior; Record Group 49, Records of the Bureau of Land Management; Record Group 53, Records of the Bureau of Public Debt; and Record Group 56, General Records of the Department of the Treasury. Relevant congressional committee records are found in Record Group 46, Records of the U.S. Senate, and Record Group 233, Records of the U.S. House of Representatives.

193.10 Most of the records discussed in this chapter are described in *Preliminary Inventory of the Records of the Commissioner of Railroads* (PI 158), compiled by Marion M. Johnson. A few records relating to specific railroads that were added to the record group since the inventory was issued are described below in the "Reports of Railroads" section.

193.11 Editorial Note: This record group consists primarily of textual materials except for a few maps are found in miscellaneous records (193.79). In general, maps showing the routes of various western railroads are among the cartographic records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior (RG 48).

RECORDS OF THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF RAILROADS

General Records

193.12 The correspondence files of the Office do not begin until 1878, when the Office of the Auditor

was created. Earlier correspondence concerning the reporting requirement imposed upon the railroads forms part of the records of the Lands and Railroads Division of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior (RG 48). References to incoming letters are listed chronologically in a **register of letters received, June 24, 1862-June 15, 1873** (1 vol., 1/2 in.), which later was transferred to the Office of the Auditor/ Commissioner. The letters registered, nearly all of which are addressed to the Secretary of the Interior, relate to such subjects as Government appointments of commissioners and directors for the Union Pacific Railroad, the gauge of the track for the railroad, changes in the route of the railroad, submission of reports and maps, completion and inspection of track, and other matters connected with the building and operation of the railroad. Occasionally letters relating to the Central Pacific, Western Pacific, Kansas Pacific, Central Branch Union Pacific, and Sioux City and Pacific Railroads are listed. The register entries show date of receipt of letter, date of letter, name of writer, subject, and action taken.

193.13 Two other series predate the establishment of the Office of the Auditor. A **record of information relating to railroads, ca. 1874** (1 vol., 1 in.), contains the following: a list of directors of the Union Pacific Railroad, 1865-72; a list of agricultural college scrip acts, 1862-71; a list of State railroad acts, 1856-74; an undated list of railroad commissioners for certain railroads; and sections from the annual reports of the Secretary of the Interior for 1868-71 relating to railroads. A table of contents is included. The second series is a **record of U.S. bonds issued to railroad companies, 1865-80** (2 vols., 1/2 in.).

193.14 The **letters received, July 2, 1878-May 21, 1904** (7 ft.), constitute one series divided in two chronological segments and further arranged by numbers assigned to the letters: from 1878 to 1882, nos. 3-3674, and from 1883 to 1904, nos. 1-9225. The letters, from officers of railroads, Federal and State officials, and the public, concern such matters as the number of passengers and amount of freight carried by the railroads, copies of schedules and freight and passenger tariffs, reports of mileage constructed with date of construction, reports stating that sections of railroad were ready for examination, and reports of amount of land sold to actual settlers; transmittal of reports of State railroad commissions; appointments to positions in the Office of the Auditor or Commissioner; various administrative matters relating to the preparation and submission of the periodic reports from the railroads; and the status of suits by the United States to recover penalties from railroads for not making the reports.

193.15 The two segments of the letters received correspond to the two sets of registers used to record the incoming letters. Entries in both the **registers of letters received, July 2, 1878-Dec. 31, 1882** (2 vols., 3 in.), and the **registers of letters received, Jan. 1, 1883-Mar. 28, 1904** (3 vols., 10 in.), are arranged alphabetically by surname of writer and thereunder chronologically. Format of the two sets of registers varies slightly, but both sets show number and date of the letter, name and address of the writer, subject, and in some cases the action taken.

193.16 Several subject indexes, including indexes to the letters received, constitute the volume **"Timely Matters Digest," 1878-97** (1 vol., 1 in.). Other indexes in the volume relate to press copies of the letters sent by the Commissioner, discussed directly below, and the statement books and annual reports discussed in 193.22.

193.17 The chronologically arranged **letters sent, July 1, 1878-June 22, 1904** (41 vols., 5 ft.), consist of numbered volumes of press copies of outgoing letters to Government and railroad officials and to the general public relating to such subjects as requests for copies of reports of State railroad commissioners, information or documents from railroads and Government agencies, and railroad passes for officials and employees of the Office. Each volume is indexed by name of addressee, and each letter is identified by a number assigned to it in the registers of letters sent (193.19). In addition, some of the letters are covered by an **index to letters sent to railroad companies, May 17, 1879-July 19, 1880** (1 vol., 1 in.). The index entries, which are grouped under the name of the railroad to which letters were sent and thereunder chronologically by date of letter, show the date of each letter sent to a railroad, the title of the railroad official to whom it was sent, the volume and page number where the letter can be found, and a brief statement of the letter's contents.

193.18 An incomplete and abbreviated set of letters sent, **"Record of Letters Sent," Jan. 3, 1882-Nov. 2, 1901** (10 vols., 2 ft.), consists of handwritten copies of outgoing letters from the Commissioner that were made from the press copies. Letters that are identical in content and directed to more than one addressee are summarized. The letters are arranged chronologically.

193.19 Registers of letters sent by the Commissioner, July 1, 1878-Nov. 2, 1901 (5 vols., 1 ft.), show the number of the outgoing letter, the date, the name and address of the addressee, and the subject. Entries are arranged alphabetically by first letter of surname of addressee and thereunder chronologically by date of letter.

193.20 Also among the records is a volume of **letters sent by Gen. James Longstreet, Nov. 6, 1897-Nov. 28, 1903** (1 in.). Longstreet succeeded Wade Hampton as Commissioner of Railroads in November 1897 and held the position until his death in January 1904. His letters to Government and railroad officials and to friends and acquaintances concern political and military appointments, requests for railroad passes, and personal business. The letters are chronologically arranged and indexed by name of addressee.

193.21 Letters sent by the railroad engineer, July 21, 1881-Mar. 18, 1893 (1 vol., 1 in.), relate to such subjects as the receipt of information from railroads concerning their equipment, improvements, and progress of construction, and requests for information, documents, or approval of their plans. The press copies are arranged chronologically and indexed by name of addressee. Press copies of a few **letters sent by Chief Clerk Thomas Reddington, Jan. 21-Nov. 17, 1886** (1/4 in.), consist of (a) letters, with enclosures, that he sent to the Commissioner reporting on stocks and bonds held by the Union Pacific Railroad; (b) financial statements by Thomas J. Walker, a clerk employed by the Commissioner, concerning the Northern Pacific, the Atlantic and Pacific, and the Union Pacific Railroads; and (c) an undated and unsigned memorandum relating to possible forms of settlement by the United States with the Pacific railroads concerning the maturity of their debts to the United States. The items are arranged in rough chronological order by date of document.

193.22 Included in the records is a set of printed **annual reports, 1878-1903** (22 vols., 10 in.), of the Auditor of Railroad Accounts (1878-80) and of the Commissioner of Railroads (1881-1903). These reports are also printed as parts of the annual reports of the Department of the Interior. The first annual report of the Auditor contains a historical account of the steps leading to the establishment of the agency and a folding map showing the railroads that were considered to be subject to the Auditor's jurisdiction. Another series, **record of annual reports of the Auditor or Commissioner, 1879-1903** (6 vols., 11 in.), consists of press copies of annual reports of the Auditor or Commissioner and his subordinates and of related financial statements. Some of the volumes are labeled "statement books." The contents of the volumes are arranged chronologically by date of report or statement, and two of the volumes are indexed alphabetically by subject of document. The "Timely Matters Digest" (193.16) includes an index to the statement books and the annual reports of the Commissioner.

193.23 Also among the general records are original **notes of inspections, 1895-97** (3 vols., 1 in.), compiled on inspection trips over the Kansas Pacific and the Central Branch Union Pacific Railroads and providing information on tracks, switches, crossties, bridges, and fuel stations. **Papers relating to proposed settlements with railroads, 1892-94** (1/2 in.), include financial statements and calculations relating to the funding of debts of the Central Pacific, Central Branch Union Pacific, and Union Pacific Railroads to the United States. The documents are arranged in rough chronological order.

193.24 Freight and passengers rates are documented in **special rate reports, 1886** (2 in.), listing special passenger rates and special freight rates for a three-month period ending March 31, 1896. Passenger Rate Sheets indicate the rate, point of departure, destination, and customer. Freight Rate Sheets show the rate, customer, goods to be transported, destination, and point of departure. The unidentified railroad(s) served cities and towns located in the Upper Midwest. Two volumes (6 in.) stamped "Local Freight Tariff" contain the printed tariffs of the Central Pacific Railroad, titled **"Rules, Regulations, Classification and Local Freight Tariff,"** effective January 1, 1880. One volume includes annotations in red ink showing changes.

193.25 Two additional series among the general records deserve mention. A **scrapbook, Nov. 29, 1879-Nov. 29, 1880** (1 vol., 3 in.), containing newspaper clippings related to the construction, financing, management, operation, and regulation of railroads, is arranged in sections ("Auditor of Railroad Accounts," "Legal," "Commerce," and "General R.R. News") and thereunder chronologically. A collection of miscellaneous **publications, 1871-1910** (9 in.), includes copies of laws, regulations, House and Senate reports, circulars, and various publications issued by component agencies of the Department of the Interior. A few items, such as a compilation entitled *Reports of the Government Directors of the Union*

Pacific made to the Secretary of the Interior from 1864 to 1885 (1866), relate to railroads, but most of the issuances have little direct bearing on the mission of the Office. Many, however, came from the General Land Office and so concern some interesting aspects of public land policy. Their titles and publication dates are listed below:

1. *Circular from the General Land Office showing the Manner of Proceeding to Obtain Title to Public Lands under the Homestead, Desert Land, and Other Laws* (1904)
2. *Revised Regulations (March 20, 1905) Governing the Sale and Leasing of Lands in the Creek Nation, Indian Territory* (1905)
3. *Regulations concerning Right of way for Canals, Ditches, and Reservoirs* (1905)
4. *The Unappropriated Public Lands of the United States, by Counties, Land Districts, and States, on July 1, 1906* (1906)
5. *Suggestions to Homesteaders and Persons Desiring to Make Homestead Entries* (1906)
6. *Description of the Character of the Pasture Lands in Oklahoma Soon to be Sold* (1906)

Also included is a publication from the U.S. Geological Survey, Reclamation Service, called *Methods of Acquiring Title to the Public Lands of the United States being a Review of the Laws in Force*, which was compiled by Edwin H. Perry and issued in 1905.

REPORTS OF RAILROADS

193.26 An extensive collection of **reports and other documents relating to aided railroads, 1864-1904** (57 ft.), is arranged primarily by type of aid granted to the railroads, thereunder alphabetically by name of railroad, and thereunder by type of report. A few items are filed at the end of the series in the category "Other Railroads." The records comprise (a) annual reports of aided railroads; (b) periodic reports prescribed by the Office of the Auditor or Commissioner on forms supplied by the Office, including semiannual reports (Form 8-002), which contain an extensive accident report section showing for each accident the date of the accident, the number of persons injured or killed, and the cause of the accident (the names of the victims were not required but some railroads furnished them); (c) miscellaneous numbered or unnumbered reports, consisting of supplements or explanations of the regular reports requested by the Office and of other documents; (d) transcripts of minutes of meetings of stockholders, directors, and executive committees; (e) Treasury Department statements of amounts owed to railroads by the Government but withheld and "covered into," or transferred to, the Treasury; and (f) other occasional reports. The railroads covered by the series and the records relating to them are listed below.

Federal Bond and Land Grant Roads

193.27 Central Branch Union Pacific, 1868-1904 (2 ft.). Operated in Kansas. This line was known as Central Branch Railway Co. after 1899. See also Missouri Pacific (193.57).

1. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, 1879-1903.
2. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses on aided, non-aided, and total line, 1879-80, 1884-1904.
3. A semiannual abstract of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, June 1877-June 1880.
4. A monthly abstract of bills for transportation and services rendered the United States, Mar. 1868-Sept. 1875, Jan. 1885-Dec. 1888.
5. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 1-23 and unnumbered.
6. Transcripts of minutes of stockholders', directors', and executive committee meetings, 1886, 1889-92.
7. Department of Treasury statements of amounts withheld and covered into the U.S. Treasury, with reports of the sinking fund, Apr. 1881-July 1901.

193.28 Central Pacific, 1864-1904 (4 ft.). Operated in California, Nevada, and Utah.

1. Annual reports, 1876, 1879-86, 1898.
2. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, 1877-1904.
3. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses on aided and total line, Jan. 1879-Apr. 1904.
4. A monthly abstract of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, Dec. 1879-Dec. 1885.
5. An abstract of bills for transportation and services rendered the United States (one statement), June 1864-Dec. 1869.
6. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 1-79, and unnumbered.

7. Lists of stockholders, 1862-82, 1885-87.

8. Department of Treasury statements of amounts withheld and covered into the U.S. Treasury, with reports of the sinking fund, Apr. 1879-May 1904.

193.29 Kansas Pacific, 1866-99 (2 ft.). Operated in Colorado and Kansas. See also Union Pacific (193.31).

1. Annual report, 1877.

2. Semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, June -Dec. 1879.

3. Semiannual and monthly abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, June 1878-Dec. 1879.

4. An abstract of bills for transportation and services rendered the United States (one statement), Oct. 1866-June 1872.

5. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 1-43.

6. Department of Treasury statements of amounts withheld and covered into the U.S. Treasury, with reports of the sinking fund, Oct. 1881-July 1899.

193.30 Sioux City and Pacific, 1877-1901 (5 ft.). Operated in Iowa and Nebraska.

1. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, June 1879-June 1901.

2. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses on aided, non-aided, and total line, Jan. 1879-July 1901.

3. Semiannual and monthly abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, Mar. 1877-June 1890.

4. Monthly abstracts of bills for transportation and services rendered the United States, Jan.-Sept. 1885.

5. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 1-46 (including annual reports and lists of stockholders) and unnumbered.

6. Transcripts of minutes of stockholders' and directors' meetings, 1886-1901.

7. Department of Treasury statements of amounts withheld and covered into the U.S. Treasury, with reports of the sinking fund, Mar. 1879-July 1901.

193.31 Union Pacific, 1864-1904 (12 ft.). Operated in Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Nevada, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

1. Annual reports, 1873, 1876-86, 1888, 1890, 1892, 1893, 1897.

2. Annual reports of the Government directors, 1878-98.

3. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, June 1879-June 1904.

4. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses on divisions and entire line, July 1879-Feb. 1904.

5. Semiannual and monthly abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, June 1877-Dec. 1886.

6. Annual reports of amounts of money or credit borrowed, with names of creditors and purposes for which required, 1864-65.

7. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 1-344 and unnumbered (including Denver Pacific annual reports).

8. Transcripts of minutes of stockholders', directors', and executive committee meetings, 1886-90, 1896-97 (extracts, 1880-84).

9. Department of Treasury statements of amounts withheld and covered into the U.S. Treasury, with reports of the sinking fund, July 1872-Dec. 1897.

193.32 Atlantic and Pacific, 1877-1902 (10 in.). Operated in Arizona, California, Indian Territory, and New Mexico. This line was known as Santa Fe Pacific after 1897.

1. Annual reports, 1882, 1886.

2. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, 1882-1902.

3. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses on Western Division lines, Jan. 1885-June 1902.

4. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 1-9 (including annual reports for 1877 and 1881) and unnumbered (including a profile map).

193.33 Burlington and Missouri River, 1878, 1884 (1/4 in.). Operated in Arkansas, Colorado, Iowa, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Wyoming.

Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 2-4.

193.34 Denver Pacific, 1870-80 (1 in.). Operated in Colorado and Wyoming. For the period after

1880, see also Kansas Pacific (193.29) and Union Pacific (193.31); for annual reports, see also Union Pacific.

1. Semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, June-Dec. 1879.
2. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-Jan. 1880.
3. Semiannual and monthly abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, June 1870-Aug. 1879.

193.35 Northern Pacific, 1876-1904 (5 ft.). Operated in Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, Oregon, and Washington.

1. Annual reports, 1898, 1901, 1902.
2. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, Dec. 1879-June 1903.
3. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1878-Apr. 1904.
4. Semiannual and monthly abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, June 1877-Sept. 1880.
5. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 2-22.
6. Transcripts of minutes of directors' meetings, 1885-88.
7. Lists of stockholders, 1876-78.

193.36 Oregon and California, 1877-1904 (1 ft.), including Oregon Central and Western Oregon. Operated in Oregon.

1. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, Dec. 1878-June 1904.
2. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-Apr. 1904.
3. Semiannual and monthly abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, June 1877-Dec. 1881.
4. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 1-16 and unnumbered.
5. Transcripts of minutes of stockholders' and directors' meetings, 1886.

193.37 St. Louis and San Francisco, 1877-1903 (1 ft.). Operated in Arkansas, Indian Territory, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma Territory, and Texas.

1. Annual reports, 1877, 1879-86, 1898, 1900, 1902, 1903.
2. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, June 1880-June 1897.
3. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-May 1890.
4. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 1-16, and unnumbered reports.

193.38 Southern Pacific, 1873-1904 (4 ft.). Operated in Arizona, California, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, and Utah.

1. Annual reports, 1887, 1888, 1890, 1893, 1898, 1900, 1901.
2. Annual reports of the Southern Pacific of California, 1873-87.
3. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, June 1887-June 1904.
4. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-Apr. 1904.
5. Semiannual and monthly abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, June 1877-Sept. 1885.
6. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 1-20 and unnumbered.

193.39 Texas and Pacific, 1878-1905 (2 ft.). Operated in Arkansas, Louisiana, and Texas. See also New Orleans Pacific (193.71).

1. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 1-12, including annual reports to the Secretary of the Interior and to stockholders, 1878-85.
2. Unnumbered annual reports to the Secretary of the Interior and to stockholders, 1886-1905.

State-Aided Roads

193.40 Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe, 1877-1904 (1 ft.). Operated in Arizona, California, Colorado, Indian Territory, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma Territory, and Texas.

1. Annual reports, 1877-84, 1886, 1888, 1901.
2. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, 1877-1903.

3. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-Apr. 1904.

4. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 1-9.

193.41 Cedar Rapids and Missouri River, 1877-85 (5 in.). Operated in Iowa. For later reports, see Chicago and Northwestern (193.44).

1. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, 1878-84.

2. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-Dec. 1885.

3. Semiannual abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, June 1877-Dec. 1880.

193.42 Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, 1873-1903 (10 in.). Operated in Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Wyoming.

1. Annual reports, 1873-93, 1895-99.

2. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, 1882-85, 1895-1903.

3. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, July 1889-Aug. 1902.

193.43 Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, 1877-1904 (5 in.). Operated in Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, and South Dakota.

1. Annual reports, 1877-86, 1891-99, 1903, 1904.

2. Semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, June 1879-Dec. 1881.

3. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 2-5.

193.44 Chicago and Northwestern, 1882-1903 (10 in.). Operated in Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wyoming.

1. Annual reports, 1882, 1887, 1902, 1903.

2. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, 1885-1903.

3. Miscellaneous reports and papers, numbered 1-8.

4. Miscellaneous tariff schedules.

193.45 Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific, 1878-1904 (5 in.). Operated in Arkansas, Colorado, Indian Territory, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma Territory, and South Dakota.

1. Annual reports, 1899, 1904.

2. Semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, Dec. 1878-June 1879.

3. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-Sept. 1898.

4. Semiannual abstract of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, Mar. 1878-June 1879.

193.46 Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha, 1879-1903 (3 in.). Operated in Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, and South Dakota.

1. Annual report, 1902.

2. Annual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, 1879, 1893-1903.

3. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan.-Feb. 1886.

193.47 Choctaw and Memphis, Memphis and Little Rock, and Little Rock and Memphis, 1879-99 (10 in.). Operated in Arkansas.

1. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, Dec. 1880-June 1899.

2. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Nov. 1879-June 1890.

193.48 Choctaw, Oklahoma and Gulf, 1900-1903 (1/2 in.). Operated in Arkansas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma Territory, and Texas.

Annual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, 1900-1903.

193.49 Denver and Boulder Valley, 1879-80 (negligible). See also Denver Pacific (193.34). Operated in Colorado.

Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-Jan. 1880.

193.50 Dubuque and Sioux City, 1879-1904 (10 in.). Operated in Iowa.

1. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, Dec. 1879-June 1904.
2. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-Apr. 1904.
3. Miscellaneous reports, numbers 1 and 4.

193.51 Hannibal and St. Joseph, 1877-1900 (2 in.). Operated in Missouri.

1. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, 1882-84, 1894-1900.
2. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, July-Sept. 1883.
3. An abstract of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, Dec. 1877.
4. Miscellaneous reports, number 1 and unnumbered.

193.52 Illinois Central; 1877-98, 1903 (3 in.). Operated in Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, and South Dakota. See also Iowa Falls and Sioux City (193.53).

Annual reports, 1877-98, 1903.

193.53 Iowa Falls and Sioux City, 1867-88 (10 in.). Operated in Iowa.

1. Semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, including some reports for Illinois Central, Dec. 1878-June 1888.
2. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-Nov. 1888.
3. Semiannual abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, June 1877-Dec. 1880.
4. Annual reports to stockholders, 1878-83.
5. Statement of the operations of the Land Department, 1878.
6. Statement of money received, expended, or otherwise disposed of by the Land Department, 1870-78.
7. Terms of rental of the Iowa Falls and Sioux City Railroad, 1867-70.

193.54 Kansas City, Lawrence and Southern, 1877-81 (negligible). Operated in Kansas. This line was the successor of Leavenworth, Lawrence and Galveston (193.70).

1. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Apr. 1879-Aug. 1881.
2. A semiannual abstract of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger of the Leavenworth, Lawrence and Galveston, June 1877-June 1878.

193.55 Little Rock and Fort Smith, 1880-93 (1/2 in.). Operated in Arkansas.

1. Annual reports, 1880-93.
2. Annual reports of organization, owner-ship, finances, and property, 1889-90.
3. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, July-Dec. 1889.

193.56 Missouri, Kansas and Texas, 1877-1902 (10 in.). Operated in Indian Territory, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Oklahoma Territory, and Texas.

1. Annual reports, 1899-1900, 1902, 1903.
2. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, Dec. 1877-June 1902.
3. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-June 1891.
4. Annual abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, 1877-79.

193.57 Missouri Pacific, 1878-1903 (8 in.). Operated in Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska.

1. Annual report, 1900.
2. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances and property, 1878, June 1879, June 1884, Dec. 1886-June 1903.
3. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1880-Aug. 1883.
4. Miscellaneous report, number 1.

193.58 St. Joseph and Grand Island and St. Joseph and Western, 1888-1904 (5 in.). Operated in Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska.

1. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, Dec. 1888-June 1902.
2. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, July 1889-Apr. 1904.
3. Miscellaneous unnumbered reports and papers.

193.59 St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern, 1876-1904 (10 in.). Operated in Arkansas, Indian Territory, Kansas, Louisiana, and Missouri.

1. Annual reports, 1876-80.
2. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, June 1884-June 1900.
3. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-Feb. 1904.
4. Miscellaneous reports, numbered 1-3, and unnumbered reports and papers.

193.60 St. Paul and Duluth, 1878-1900 (10 in.). Operated in Minnesota.

1. Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, Dec. 1878-June 1900.
2. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-Dec. 1880.
3. Monthly abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, May 1878-June 1879 (includes data for predecessor Northern Wisconsin, May-July 1878).
4. Miscellaneous papers, numbered 1 and 2.

193.61 St. Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba, 1883, 1888-99 (2 in.). Operated in Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota.

Annual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property, June 1883, June 1888-June 1899.

193.62 Southern Minnesota, 1877-79 (negligible). Operated in Minnesota.

1. Monthly reports of earnings and expenses, Jan.-June 1879.
2. Semiannual abstracts of the credit and debit footings of the general ledger, June 1877-June 1878.

193.63 Vicksburg, Shreveport and Pacific, 1877-80 (1/4 in.). Operated in Louisiana. A successor to Vicksburg, Shreveport, and Texas (193.76).

1. Annual and semiannual reports on organization, ownership, finances, and property, 1880.
2. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-Dec. 1880.
3. Annual abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, 1877-78.

193.64 Winona and St. Peter, 1877-85 (5 in.). Operated in Minnesota and South Dakota.

1. Semiannual reports on organization, ownership, finances, and property, Dec. 1878-Dec. 1881.
2. Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan. 1879-Dec. 1885.
3. Abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger, May 1877-June 1879.
4. Miscellaneous report, number 1.

193.65 Wisconsin Central, 1878-1903 (2 in.). Operated in Minnesota.

1. Annual reports, 1878, 1879, 1895-99, 1901-3.
2. Reports of trustees in possession, 1879-82, 1884-86.

193.66 Worthington and Sioux Falls, 1879 (negligible). Operated in Minnesota and South Dakota.

Monthly statements of earnings and expenses, Jan.-Mar. 1879.

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193.67 Choctaw Coal and Railway, 1890 (1/4 in.). Operated in Indian and Oklahoma Territories.

Mortgage involving the Girard Life Insurance, Annuity and Trust Company of Philadelphia.

193.68 Denver and New Orleans, 1880-86 (1/2 in.). Operated in Colorado.

Exhibits and printed copies of material submitted to the U.S. House of Representatives.

193.69 Kansas and Nebraska Railway Company of Kansas, 1876-77 (negligible). Successor to St. Joseph and Denver City (193.72).

Indenture and notice to stockholders.

193.70 Leavenworth, Lawrence and Galveston, 1877-78 (1/4 in.). Operated in Kansas.

Abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger.

193.71 New Orleans Pacific, 1885-88 (3 in.). Operated in Louisiana.

Annual and semiannual reports of organization, ownership, finances, and property.

193.72 St. Joseph and Denver City, 1869-70, 1873, 1875-79 (3/4 in.). Operated in Kansas and Nebraska.

1. Notice of First Mortgage Bonds, 1869.
2. Mortgage Deed, 1870.
3. Loans and Reports, July 1873.
4. Receiver's Reports, June 24, 1875-Dec. 31, 1878.

193.73 St. Louis, Oklahoma and Southern, 1900 (negligible). Operated in Indian and Oklahoma Territories.

Notice of first mortgage.

193.74 Sioux City and St. Paul; St. Paul and Sioux City, 1878-79 (negligible). Operated in Iowa and Minnesota.

1. Report to the Auditor of Railroad Accounts, 1878.
2. Comparative statements, Jan.-Mar. 1879.

193.75 Southern Kansas, 1886 (1/4 in.). Operated in Kansas and Texas.

First mortgage of the Gulf Division of the Southern Kansas Railway.

193.76 Vicksburg, Shreveport and Texas, 1877-78 (negligible). Operated in Louisiana.

Abstracts of the debit and credit footings of the general ledger.

193.77 Receipt of the reports and most of the other documents listed above was recorded in **registers of reports received from railroads, 1878-1902** (2 vols., 3 in.). Entries in the first volume are arranged alphabetically by name of railroad and thereunder chronologically. Entries in the second volume are arranged chronologically under the names of the railroads. The second volume is indexed by name of railroad.

193.78 Railroads continued to submit reports after the Office of the Commissioner was abolished. These reports, which were received by the Department of Commerce and Labor and later transferred to the Secretary of the Interior, are part of the series **correspondence and reports received after termination of Commissioner's office, 1904-7** (1 ft.). Arranged by type of record and thereunder chronologically, the series comprises the following:

1. General correspondence, June 24, 1904-June 29, 1906, consisting of letters received and copies of letters sent relating to the transmission of reports of railroads and requests for information, forms, and annual reports of the Commissioner of Railroads;
2. Comparative statements of earnings and expenses of the following railroads:
   - Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe, May 1904;
   - Central Branch and the St. Louis, Iron Mountain, and Southern, Mar.-May 1904;
   - Central Pacific, Mar.-June, 1904;
   - Dubuque and Sioux City, June 1904-Oct. 1905;
   - Oregon and California, May, June, Aug., Sept., 1904;
   - St. Joseph and Grand Island, May-Dec. 1904, and Jan., Mar., and Apr., 1905;
   - Southern Pacific, May-Nov. 1904; and
   - Union Pacific, May-Aug. 1904;
3. Treasury Department statements of amounts withheld under section 5 of an act of July 2, 1864, from the Central Branch Railroad and covered into the Treasury of the United States on account of moneys received from that railroad, 1904-7;
4. Treasury Department statements of amounts withheld under a settlement agreement of February 1, 1899, from the Central Pacific Railroad and covered into the Treasury on account of indebtedness of that railroad, 1904-6; and
5. Annual reports of the Illinois Central Railroad for 1904-6.

193.79 Some **miscellaneous records, 1867-1904** (14 ft.), including papers relating to railroad finances, equipment, operation, legislation, and relations with the Federal Government, and documents and newspaper clippings critical of railroads and capitalists

connected with them, are arranged chronologically by date of document, with undated documents at the end of the file. Other items filed with these records include maps of various railroad systems, and decisions of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

RECORDS OF THE PACIFIC RAILWAY COMMISSION

193.80 The United States Pacific Railway Commission was created by an act of Congress of March 3, 1887, which authorized the President to appoint three commissioners to investigate the affairs of those Pacific railroads that had received aid from the Federal Government. President Grover Cleveland appointed the Commissioners on April 15, 1887, to a term of office not to extend beyond the opening of the following session of the Senate. The Commission's main office was established in New York; temporary offices were located in San Francisco and Washington. The Commission was charged specifically with investigating and reporting on all facts relating to "an alleged consolidation of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, the Kansas Pacific Railway, and the Denver Pacific Railway and Telegraph Company"; the relationship of the various Pacific railroads with the communities they served and with the Federal Government; and the railroads' indebtedness to the Government.

193.81 One of the Commission's tasks was to decide whether it was in the interest of the Government to extend the length of time the railroads had to meet their financial obligations to the Government and to devise a plan to cover such an extension should it be deemed desirable. The Commissioners could not agree on this issue. The Commission submitted its report to the President on December 1, 1887. Two Commissioners concurred with the majority report which recommended an extension of time for the payment of the debts of the railroads to the Government; the third Commissioner submitted a minority report recommending that proceedings be instituted for forfeiting the charters of the railroads and for winding up their affairs.

193.82 By suggestion of the President, the papers and property of the Commission were forwarded on December 10, 1887, to the Secretary of the Interior, who referred the material to the Commissioner of Railroads for his files. On January 17, 1888, the President transmitted the findings of the Commission to Congress. The majority and minority reports, together with testimony, supporting reports, and alphabetical, analytical, and topical indexes, were published under the title *Report of the Commission and of the Minority Commissioner of the United States Pacific Railway Commission* (S. Ex. Doc. 51, 50th Cong., 1st sess., Serials 2505 through 2509).

193.83 The records of the Commission consist primarily of correspondence, testimony, and exhibits. Also included are subpoenas, a copy of one railroad president's reply to the Commission's interrogatories, and reference materials.

193.84 The **letters received, Apr.-Oct. 1887** (11 in.), are arranged alphabetically by the first letter of the surname of the writer or by the name of the railroad by which he was employed. The telegrams, letters, and other documents the series comprises relate to such matters as persons who might provide the Commission with information concerning the Pacific railroads; complaints about the railroads; reports on investigations of railroad accounts conducted by Commission accountants; arrangements for taking testimony by or for the Commission; and the acquisition of information from the railroads. Similar subjects are discussed in the press copies of letters and telegrams constituting the **letters sent, Apr. 21-Oct. 14, 1887** (1 vol., 1 in.), from the Commission to Government and railroad officials and the general public. The copies are arranged chronologically by date of letter or telegram. The volume includes an index arranged alphabetically by name of addressee.

193.85 Printed volumes of **testimony, Apr. 12-Aug. 22, 1887** (14 vols., 10 in.), record the hearings held by the Commission. Copies of documents related to the work of the Commission are printed as part of the last volume. Volumes containing testimony from July 25 to August 1 are missing. An index to the testimony and to the reports of the Commission and its subordinate officers accompanies the volumes. Also included in this series are two volumes of typewritten statements made by former Chief Clerk Thomas Reddington and Congressman William M. Springer. The contents of the volumes are arranged chronologically by date of testimony or statement. An incomplete set of **exhibits, 1861-87** (1 ft.), is arranged in the order in which the exhibits were referred to or reproduced in the testimony and thereunder numerically, with some undated and unnumbered items at the end.

193.86 Copies of **subpoenas, May-Oct. 1887** (3 in.), arranged in rough chronological order by date of

subpoena, consist of summonses addressed to witnesses, directing them to appear before the Commission. Leland Stanford's **answer to interrogatories of the Commission, 1887** (3 in.), constitutes a series of its own. This reply of the President of the Central Pacific Railroad to the Commission's interrogatories presented in a circular letter of May 12, 1887, consists of a table of contents, opening remarks, answers to interrogatories by number, and exhibits.

193.87 The Commission's collection of **reference materials, 1875-87** (1 ft.), consists of the books and pamphlets listed below:

1. A printed volume of proceedings in *Union Pacific Railroad Company* v. *United States* in the U.S. Court of Claims, December Term, 1875;

2. "Report to Stockholders of the Union Pacific Railroad" for 1875 and 1884-86;

3. "Report of the Government Directors of the Union Pacific Railroad Company to the Secretary of the Interior, 1885";

4. "Memorandum in Reference to the Speech of Hon. Barclay Henley, Printed in the Congressional Record of June 20, 1886," by Moorfield Storey, counsel for the Union Pacific Railroad;

5. "Report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners for the State of Nebraska" for 1886;

6. "Argument Before General Joseph E. Johnston, Commissioner of Railroads, in Reference to the Apportionment of Earnings and Operating Expenses over Given Portions of a Particular Road," 1886, by M.M. Kirkman, Comptroller, Chicago and Northwestern Railroad;

7. "The Case of the Union Pacific Railway Company. Statement Made by Charles Francis Adams, Jr., Before the Committee on the Pacific Railroads," 1886;

8. "Testimony of Charles Francis Adams Before the Pacific Railroad Investigating," 1887;

9. "Pacific Railroad Legislation, 1862-1885"; and

10. An analytical index of evidence in the case of *Ellen M. Colton* v. *Leland Stanford et al.*, n.d. Entries are arranged chronologically by date of document.

Also useful for reference purposes are **"Memorandums Relating to Bond-Aided Roads," 1868-86** (5 vols., 4 in.), which consist of typed copies of documents and newspaper articles related to the Pacific railroads. In two of the volumes the material is arranged in rough chronological order.

APPENDIX A

Secretaries of the Interior Through 1912

Name	Date of Appointment
Thomas Ewing	March 8, 1849
Thomas M.T. McKennan	August 15, 1850
Alexander H.H. Stuart	September 12, 1850
Robert McClelland	March 7, 1853
Jacob Thompson	March 6, 1857
Caleb B. Smith	March 5, 1861
John P. Usher	January 8, 1863
James Harlan	May 15, 1865
Orville H. Browning	July 27, 1866
Jacob D. Cox	March 5, 1869
Columbus Delano	November 1, 1870
Zachariah Chandler	October 19, 1875
Carl Schurz	March 12, 1877
Samuel J. Kirkwood	March 5, 1881
Henry M. Teller	April 6, 1882
Lucius Q.C. Lamar	March 6, 1885
William F. Vilas	January 16, 1888
John W. Noble	March 5, 1889
Hoke Smith	March 6, 1893
David R. Francis	September 1, 1896
Cornelius M. Bliss	March 5, 1897
Ethan Allen Hitchcock	December 21, 1898
James R. Garfield	January 15, 1907
Richard A. Ballinger	March 5, 1909
Walter Lowrie Fisher	March 7, 1911
Franklin Knight Lane	March 5, 1913

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M12	State Department Territorial Papers, Utah, 1853-1873*
M26	State Department Territorial Papers, Washington, 1854-1872*
M85	State Department Territorial Papers, Wyoming, 1868-1873*
M95	Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior Relating to Wagon Roads, 1857-1887
M189	Interior Department Territorial Papers: Washington, 1854-1902*
M191	Interior Department Territorial Papers: Idaho, 1864-1890*
M192	Interior Department Territorial Papers: Montana, 1867-1889*
M200	Territorial Papers of the U.S. Senate*
M204	Interior Department Territorial Papers: Wyoming, 1870-1890*
M309	State Department Territorial Papers, Dakota, 1861-1873*
M310	Interior Department Territorial Papers: Dakota. 1863- 1889*
M342	State Department Territorial Papers, Arizona, 1864-1872*
M356	State Department Territorial Papers, Montana, 1864-1872*
M364	Interior Department Territorial Papers: New Mexico, 1851-1914*
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M429	Interior Department Territorial Papers: Arizona, 1868-1913*
M431	Interior Department Territorial Papers: Colorado, 1861-1888*
M445	State Department Territorial Papers, Idaho, 1863-1872*
M576	Interior Department Appointment Papers: Territory of Arizona, 1857-1907
M606	Letters Sent by the Indian Division of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, 1849-1903
M620	Letters Sent by the Lands and Railroads Division of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, 1849-1904
M693	Interior Department Appointment Papers: Idaho, 1862-1907
M732	Interior Department Appointment Papers: California, 1849-1907
M750	Interior Department Appointment Papers: Territory of New Mexico, 1850-1907
M808	Interior Department Appointment Papers: Territory of Colorado, 1857-1907
M814	Interior Department Appointment Papers: Territory of Oregon, 1849-1907
M825	Selected Classes of Letters Received by the Indian Division of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, 1849-1880
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M830	Interior Department Appointment Papers: Wyoming, 1869-1907
M1033	Interior Department Appointment Papers: Nevada, 1860-1907
M1049	The Territorial Papers of the United States: Oregon, 1848-1859
M1050	The Territorial Papers of the United States: Minnesota, 1849-1858
M1058	Interior Department Appointment Papers: Missouri, 1849-1907
M1070	Reports of Inspections of the Field Jurisdictions of the Office of Indian Affairs, 1873-1900
M1186	Enrollment Cards of the Five Civilized Tribes, 1898-1914

M1301	Applications for Enrollment of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, 1898-1914
M1619	McNeil Island Penitentiary Records of Prisoners Received, 1887-1951
M1650	Applications From the Bureau of Indian Affairs Muskogee Area Office Relating to Enrollment in the Five Civilized Tribes Under the Act of 1896
T17	State Department Territorial Papers, New Mexico, 1851-72*
T529	Final Rolls of Citizens and Freedmen of the Five Civilized Tribes in Indian Territory (as Approved by the Secretary of the Interior on or Before Mar. 4, 1907, With Supplements Dated Sept. 25, 1914

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* Asterisks identify publications available at all regional archives. Of these, only M1186 and T529 are available at National Archives--Pittsfield Region.

APPENDIX C

List of Regional Archives

- **National Archives--New England Region**
  380 Trapelo Road
  Waltham, MA 02154

- **National Archives--Pittsfield Region**
  100 Dan Fox Drive
  Pittsfield, MA 01201
  (No accessioned records, only microfilm related to genealogy)

- **National Archives--Northeast Region**
  201 Varick Street
  New York, New York 10014

- **National Archives--Mid Atlantic Region**
  9th and Market Streets, Room 1350
  Philadelphia, PA 19107

- **National Archives--Southeast Region**
  1557 St. Joseph Avenue
  East Point, GA 30344

- **National Archives--Great Lakes Region**
  7358 South Pulaski Road
  Chicago, IL 60629

- **National Archives--Central Plains Region**
  2312 East Bannister Road
  Kansas City, MO 64131

- **National Archives--Southwest Region**
  501 West Felix Street, P.O. Box 6216
  Ft. Worth, TX 76115

- **National Archives--Rocky Mountain Region**
  Building 48-Denver Federal Center
  Denver, CO 80225-0307

- **National Archives--Pacific Southwest Region**
  24000 Avila Road
  Laguna Niguel, CA 92656

- **National Archives--Pacific Sierra Region**
  1000 Commodore Drive
  San Bruno, CA 94066

- **National Archives--Pacific Northwest Region**
  6125 Sand Point Way NE
  Seattle, WA 98115

- **National Archives--Alaska Region**
  654 West Third Avenue
  Anchorage, AK 99501

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PREFACE

With this volume the National Archives and Records Administration continues its publication of a major research aid, "The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-1912: A Guide to Federal Records for the Territorial Period." This multi-volume guide is intended to succeed the previous letterpress and microfilm publication of documents constituting *The Territorial Papers of the United States*. Rather than providing transcripts of selected documents, the guide, when completed, will identify and describe the significant series of civil and military records relating to the contiguous States and Territories carved out of the area west of the Mississippi River. It will inform researchers of the nature of available Federal records and their location, whether in the Washington, DC, area or in regional records facilities.

Guides such as this one have been prepared at the National Archives since 1940 when the first *Guide to the Material in the National Archives* was published. Over time, new editions of this general guide have been published, and supplementary guides have been issued that focus on specific portions of Archives holdings. In this latter category are the *Guide to Federal Records Relating to the Civil War* (1962), *Guide to the Archives of the Government of the Confederate States of America* (1968), *Guide to Materials on Latin America in the National Archives of the United States* (1974), *Guide to Records in the National Archives of the United States Relating to American Indians* (1981), *Black History: A Guide to Civilian Records in the National Archives* (1984), *Guide to the Holdings of the Still Picture Branch* (1990), and most recently *American Women and the U.S. Armed Forces: A Guide to the Records of Military Agencies in the National Archives Relating to American Women* (1992). Also compiled by National Archives staff but published privately is *Documenting Alaskan History: Guide to Federal Archives Relating to Alaska* (Alaska Historical Commission Studies in History No. 23, University of Alaska Press, 1982). All of these publications are designed to make the records held by the National Archives and Records Administration better known and easier to use.

The publication of this fifth volume of the guide is intended to alert researchers interested in the American West to the research potential of records from selected Interior Department agencies and offices, some defunct, others still in operation. The records of the agencies document the Department's involvement in the exploration, development, regulation, and preservation of our Nation's natural resources; those of the offices document the Department's responsibility for the administration of the Territories of Arizona, New Mexico, and Oklahoma, the collection and dissemination of data on educational programs throughout the United States, and the preservation of our Nation's architectural and engineering heritage. The records described in this volume show the manner in which these agencies and offices accomplished their missions and indicate the impact of Federal Government policies on the people and lands of the trans-Mississippi West.

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INTRODUCTION

The interest of the scholarly community in documenting the westward expansion of the United States was recognized as long ago as 1911, when the Carnegie Institution of Washington published David W. Parker's *Calendar of Papers in Washington Archives relating to the Territories of the United States (to 1873)*. Noted historian and editor J. Franklin Jameson began his preface to Parker's work by stating that archives could be exploited "for the general benefit of historical students" in three ways:

> The first process is that of the preparation and publication of summary guides, describing in general terms the contents of domestic or foreign archives. The second step is the preparation and publication of minuter descriptions, calendars usually, of some selected archival division or some special class of documents having sufficient importance to warrant treatment so detailed. The third stage of operation is the preparation and publication of important series of documents in full text.

The title of Parker's publication, of course, clearly identifies it as an example of the second step.

Under the provisions of the Ralston Act of March 3, 1925, the Department of State launched an ambitious project that met the objectives of Jameson's third stage: the preparation and letterpress publication of papers relating to the Territories. Compiled and edited by Clarence Edwin Carter, volume II, the initial volume of *The Territorial Papers of the United States*, was published in 1934. By 1950, when the project was transferred from the Department of State to the National Archives and Records Service, General Services Administration, volumes II through XIV, XVI, and XVII had been published. Under the auspices of the National Archives, Carter and his successor, John Porter Bloom, published volume XV and an additional 11 letterpress volumes; the general editorial materials compiled for inclusion in the unpublished volume I of the series were filmed in 1972 as Roll 1 of National Archives Microfilm Publication M721, *The Territorial Papers of the United States* (16 rolls). In addition to the unpublished materials, the microfilm publication includes reproductions of volumes II through XXVI. Not included in the microfilm edition are letterpress volumes XXVII and XXVIII covering Wisconsin Territory. The latter volume, the last letterpress volume issued in the series, was published in 1975.

By the time Wisconsin became a State in 1848, the quantity of material relating to the individual Territories had increased to such an extent that the letterpress volumes for Wisconsin were supplemented by a microfilm publication (M236) of pertinent documents that totaled 122 rolls of film. A microfilm edition of papers for Iowa (M325, 102 rolls) and less comprehensive editions for Minnesota (M1050, 19 rolls) and Oregon (M1049, 12 rolls) were issued after 1975, but work on additional letterpress volumes was suspended.

Since the sheer volume of pertinent materials, combined with high production costs, rendered the comprehensive publication of individual documents for the Territories impractical, the National Archives sought other ways of continuing the Territorial Papers project. In 1989, after consulting with concerned representatives of the historical and scholarly communities, the Archivist of the United States authorized a project exemplifying Jameson's first stage, the compilation of a guide to provide information about those holdings of the National Archives and its regional facilities that relate to Territories not covered by *The Territorial Papers*. In developing the prospectus for the guide, the "territorial papers" concept was more or less discarded in favor of an approach that would provide more uniform coverage. The scope of the guide has been broadened to include all Federal records created during the period bracketed by the Louisiana Purchase in 1803 and the admission of New Mexico and Arizona to the Union in 1912 that relate to all of the contiguous States west of the Mississippi River. This change in concept allows for

coverage of Texas, California, and Indian Territory, areas that did not pass through the formal Territorial period prior to statehood. It also means that the guide will provide a general view of records relating to some States that are already covered by *The Territorial Papers* letterpress volumes, as well as to those that are not.

The objective of "The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-1912: A Guide to Federal Records for the Territorial Period" is to identify and describe those records created by both civil and military agencies and organizations that obviously include, or are likely to contain, documents concerning the States located beyond the Mississippi River. The records are described in varying levels of detail, ranging from general summaries of content to lists of individual file titles, an approach that actually combines aspects of Jameson's first and second stages of description. The 8 chapters of the guide presented here are fairly representative of the 100 or so chapters that will constitute the bulk of the complete guide.

These eight chapters, covering records of agencies that either were or are now part of the Department of the Interior, constitute the second of three volumes, or sections, describing relevant records of the Department. The first of these three volumes, published in 1996, discussed the records documenting the activities of the Offices of the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of Railroads. This volume, the second section, describes the relevant records of the following agencies: the U.S. Geological Survey, the National Park Service, the Office of Education, the Office of Territories, the U.S. Bureau of Mines, the Bureau of Reclamation, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The third section will cover pertinent records of the former General Land Office, one of the predecessors of the present Bureau of Land Management. Taken together, the three volumes will form the fourth of several parts of the guide based on executive departments or subject areas that will be issued as discrete publications. Not included in the volumes making up Part IV are discussions of records of the Census Office, the Patent Office, the Pension Office, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The records of the Census Office and the Patent Office will be considered with the records of components of the Department of Commerce; those of the Pension Bureau, with the records of the Veterans Administration.

No guide volume is planned for records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs at this time. Since those records are extensively described in several existing National Archives publications, the decision was made that the time required to produce the guide could be more profitably expended working on records of other major agencies involved in Western expansion for which relatively little description is available. Researchers interested in the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs held by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) and its regional facilities should consult the following: *Preliminary Inventory of the Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs* (PI 163, 2 vols., 1965), compiled by Edward E. Hill; *Guide to Records in the National Archives of the United States Relating to American Indians* (1981), compiled by Edward E. Hill; Special List 13, *Cartographic Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs* (1977), compiled by Laura E. Kelsay; and the *Guide to Federal Records in the National Archives of the United States* (1995) which identifies the Bureau records now held in the Washington, DC, metropolitan area and the regions. Also available is Special List 6, *List of Documents Concerning the Negotiation of Ratified Indian Treaties, 1801-1869* (1949), compiled by John H. Martin, which identifies relevant documents found among the records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and those of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior. Related microfilm publications are identified in *American Indians: A Select Catalog of National Archives Microfilm Publications* (1984, updated 1994), compiled by Cynthia G. Fox.

The National Archives and Records Administration endeavors to keep records in the order in which they were maintained by the creating agency, in the belief that this best preserves their integrity and inter-relationships. The agency filing systems, however, were designed for administrative purposes and not for the benefit of future researchers. A major reason for the preparation of guides such as this is to assist subject-oriented researchers in understanding the complexities of recordkeeping systems and in locating material of interest among the vast quantities of records irrelevant to their needs.

The arrangement of the guide is by record group, the basic organizational unit to which all records in the National Archives are assigned. Most commonly, a record group consists of either the records of a single bureau and its predecessors or the records of a single office or program; both types of record groups are discussed in this guide. As a matter of fact, the records of a single agency, the National Park Service, serve to illustrate both kinds of record groups. Record Group 79, for example, not only consists of the records of the National Park Service but also includes records from the Office of the Secretary of the Interior that predate the establishment of the National Park Service in 1916 as well as records from the War Department that document functions and sites taken over by the National Park Service. Record Group 515, on the other hand, consists of records documenting the Historic American Buildings Survey and the Historic American Engineering Record, two programs conducted by a Division of the National Park Service.

Each chapter in this guide incorporates data gleaned from pertinent descriptive materials previously produced by the National Archives, usually a preliminary inventory of one kind or another. While this guide relies heavily on inventories for content, it also incorporates information taken from introductions to relevant National Archives microfilm publications and entries in preliminary checklists, special lists, and subject guides as well as materials produced by the governmental units that created the records. All of the publications used in compiling these chapters are cited at appropriate places in the text. One constant source of information, an important resource not cited in the individual chapters, is the *Guide to the Holdings of the Still Picture Branch of the National Archives*, compiled by Barbara Lewis Burger and published in 1990. The discussions of photographic records in this volume are based to a large degree on entries in that guide. Another source not cited elsewhere is the *Guide to Federal Records in the National Archives of the United States* (1995).

Within record groups, the basic archival unit of control for records is the series, which is a body of records arranged in some serial order or logically grouped together for some other reason. As noted above, NARA has prepared for many record groups inventories that describe the records series by series. Common to all types of inventories is the series entry, which includes the series title, covering dates, quantity, types of records, and perhaps some indication of content. Although most of the records discussed in this guide are also described in inventories, an attempt has been made here to present a different viewpoint, with more emphasis on subject matter, specific examples, and practical guidance on using the records. The discussion of basic records is expanded, and less significant records are treated more summarily.

In this guide, series titles and the dates of the records constituting the series appear in boldface type. Information about the volume of the records appears in parentheses following the dates. Volume is usually given in linear feet or inches, but for a few series of unprocessed records in Record Group 115, Records of the Bureau of Reclamation, the volume is given in terms of cubic feet. Also, in some instances, usually involving cartographic or photographic records, the number of items or images is given. Photographic records are usually identified by alphabetic collection designators instead of by series titles, with the designators shown in parentheses. For ease of indexing and ready reference, the paragraphs are numbered, i.e., 79.24, with 79 being the record group number and 24 the paragraph number; in some instances sub-paragraph numbers are used, resulting in an index citation such as 79.45(1). All such numbers are in boldface type. Tables, with titles cross-referenced to explanatory paragraphs in the text, provide either specific information on the content of a particular series or general information designed to facilitate use of the records. References in the text to Native Americans and other minorities reflect terms used in the records being discussed, a practice that often results in the use of language not considered to be "politically correct" by today's standards.

Many series of records having high research value have been microfilmed by the National Archives and Records Administration, and the numbers of the pertinent microfilm publications are given in the text.

Microfilm publication numbers begin with the letter "M" (M623), and the majority of these publications are accompanied by descriptive pamphlets that contain thorough explanations of the origin, content, and arrangement of the records. All of the microfilm publications cited in the text are listed in Appendix A.

The National Archives of the United States, the permanently valuable records of the Federal Government, are housed in the facilities of the National Archives and Records Administration located in the Washington, DC, metropolitan area, and in 13 regional facilities, whose addresses are given in Appendix B. For the most part, the records described in this guide are held in the National Archives at College Park, MD, a suburb of Washington, DC, but some are in the regions. These exceptions are noted in the text. Copies of many of the microfilm publications cited are available for use in the regions (see Appendix A for specific titles). Additional information concerning the distribution of reference copies of microfilm publications is provided by Special List 45, *National Archives Microfilm Publications in the Regional Archives System*, compiled by Teresa F. Matchette and issued in 1990. It should be noted here that due to a reorganization effective January 1997 the names of the regional facilities of the National Archives and Records Administration given in this volume of the guide vary somewhat from those given in previously published volumes. The locations of the regional facilities cited have not changed.

Many members of the NARA staff have helped with this publication. Formal and informal finding aids are the foundation of the guide, and the staff members who prepared them are identified in appropriate places in the text. A number of staff members read and commented on the entries in this volume, while others helped in locating a few of the more obscure series; special thanks are extended to Barbara L. Burger, Kate Flaherty, Elizabeth L. Hill, Teresa F. Matchette, Michele Pacifico, Lisha Penn, Geraldine N. Phillips, Holly Reed, Robert E. Richardson, Steven Russ, Joseph D. Schwarz, Richard H. Smith, Ronald E. Swerczek, Dwight Wilbanks, Tim Willard, and Richard Wood. Thanks are also due to the following staff members in the National Archives and Records Administration regions: Michael Brodhead (Central Plains Region); Kent Carter (Southwest Region); Joel Barker, Eric Bittner, Eileen Bolger, and Joan Howard (Rocky Mountain Region); Suzanne J. Dewberry (Pacific Region [Laguna Niguel]); Lisa Miller and Dan Nealand (Pacific Region [San Francisco]); and Laura McCarthy (Pacific Alaska Region [Seattle]). Joan Howard and Lisa Miller deserve a special mention for their contributions to the chapters for the Bureau of Reclamation and the National Park Service, respectively.

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Record Group 12

RECORDS OF THE OFFICE OF EDUCATION

...The relation of the National Government to education with many is not recognized because their attention had not been directed to it. There are, however, certain things which the National Government may and should do in this relation, so palpable that their statement is sufficient to secure almost universal assent:

1. It may do all things required for education in the Territories. 2. It may do all things required for education in the District of Columbia. 3. It may also do all things required by its treaties with and its obligations to the Indians. 4. The National Government may also do all that its international relations require in regard to education. 5. The National Government may use either the public domain or the money received from its sale for the benefit of education. 6. The National Government may know all about education in the country, and may communicate of what it knows at the discretion of Congress and the Executive. 7. The Government should provide a national educational office and an officer, and furnish him clerks, and all means for the fulfillment of the national educational obligations....

The present opportunities of this Bureau are utterly inadequate to the proper discharge of these duties.

John Eaton, Jr., Commissioner, Report of the Commissioner made to the Secretary of the Interior (*1870*), *p. 79*.

INTRODUCTION

12.1 A Department of Education, headed by a Commissioner, was established by an act of Congress of March 2, 1867 (14 Stat. 434). The Department was abolished as a separate independent agency by an act of July 20, 1868, and was reestablished in the Department of the Interior as the Office of Education on July 1, 1869. In 1870 the Office was renamed the Bureau of Education and was known by that name until 1929, when the original designation, Office of Education, was restored. In 1939 the Office was transferred, effective July 1, from the Department of the Interior to the newly created Federal Security Agency, which became the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare on April 1, 1953.

12.2 The original functions of the Office of Education were simply to gather and disseminate information about education. In the language of the organic act, the agency was established "for the purpose of collecting such statistics and facts as shall show the condition and progress of education in the several States and Territories, and of diffusing such information respecting the organization and management of schools and school systems, and methods of teaching, as shall aid the people of the United States in the establishment and maintenance of efficient school systems, and otherwise promote the cause of education throughout the country." Under this authority, the agency developed over the years a number of services to school administrators, such as undertaking research and school surveys, conducting conferences and demonstrations, participating in expositions, and producing a wealth of promotional publications and monographs.

12.3 From time to time, new functions and programs were assigned to the agency. Beginning in 1885, the Bureau developed a program of educational, medical, and economic services to the natives of Alaska, which it continued to administer for about 45 years; in 1931 the functions and segregable records of the Alaska Division were transferred to the Office (now the Bureau) of Indian Affairs. In 1890 the Bureau of Education was charged with administering Federal grants to States for the support of land-grant colleges. As the agency acquired these new responsibilities and as the need arose to gather data and to report on specific fields of education, the size of the staff was increased. By 1920 a loose organizational structure had developed, consisting fundamentally (apart from the Alaska Division) of educational specialists, each responsible to the Commissioner, who was directly responsible for program planning, staff appointments, and administration.

12.4 This chapter is concerned primarily with selected records of the Office of the Commissioner, including general records of the agency, records of divisions directly responsible to the Commissioner, and some records of divisions directed by the Assistant Commissioner. To fulfill its primary functions of collecting and disseminating information, the Office of Education maintained an active publications program. Some of these publications are discussed below, but

the record set of publications issued by the Office of Education is part of Record Group 287, Publications of the U.S. Government. Access to the publications is facilitated by the following Office of Education bulletins, each with an author and subject index: *Index to the Reports of the Commissioner of Education, 1867-1907*, Bulletin No. 7 (1909); *List of Publications of the United States Bureau of Education, 1867-1910*, Bulletin No. 3 (1910); and *List of Publications of the Office of Education, 1910-1936, Including Those of the Former Federal Board for Vocational Education for 1917-1933*, Bulletin No. 22 (1937).

12.5 Records pertaining to the Office of Education are also in Record Group 48, Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior. The records of the Patents and Miscellaneous Division of that Office include a series of letters from the Commissioner of Education, 1867-81, as well as records concerning funds for land-grant agricultural colleges, 1890-1907. A segment of the central classified files in Record Group 48 also relates to the Office of Education, 1907-39. Congressional records concerning education are in the records of the Committees on Education, 1869-70, and Education and Labor, 1870-1946, in Record Group 46, Records of the U.S. Senate, and in the records of the Committees on Education and Labor, 1867-83, and Education, 1883-1946, in Record Group 233, Records of the U.S. House of Representatives.

12.6 Most of the records in Record Group 12 are described in *Preliminary Inventory of the Records of the Office of Education* (PI 178), compiled by Carmen Delle Donne. Additional records have been accessioned into the National Archives of the United States since the inventory was published in 1974, but none of them relates to the pre-1913 period.

12.7 Editorial Note: Many records included in Record Group 12 originated after 1912, and they are not described here. Unless otherwise noted, series consisting of records that originated prior to 1913 but extending beyond that date are described in their entirety. No attempt has been made to determine what part of such series relates to the pre-1913 period. The record group includes a large collection of photographic records, but all of these were created after 1912. Cartographic records consist of one map, which dates from 1933.

Records of the Office of the Commissioner

12.8 The documentary record of the Office is notably deficient. First, records of Henry Barnard's term as the first Commissioner of Education, 1867-70, are not found in this record group. This deficiency can be minimized somewhat by using pertinent records of the Secretary of the Interior in RG 48 (12.5), as well as some two dozen letters pertaining to the Office of Education that are in a collection of Barnard's private papers at Trinity College, Hartford, CT. Second, and much more serious, is the absence of letters received, one of the two principal records series of most 19th century agencies. With the exception of a few letters that found their way into a "Historical File" (12.14), no incoming letters appear to have survived. In their absence, the press copies of letters sent take on added significance as the primary record of the agency's activities. This series, however, has large gaps in it, and some of the letters are badly damaged. Third, the agency did not succeed in establishing an effective centralized file when it adopted a flat filing system. As a result, very little documentation was preserved about the work of the specialists and organizational units, whose numbers multiplied rapidly after 1910.

General Records

12.9 The **press copies of letters sent, "O" series, 1870-1908** (111 vols., 16 ft.), constitute the basic extant documentary record of the agency's daily operations during its first four decades. The letters are bound in chronological order in volumes that are arranged numerically (nos. 1-311, with gaps), followed by containers holding loose records removed from the volumes and containers with mutilated fragments. As indicated by the disparity between the volume numbers and the number of volumes, the series is incomplete. Many of the volumes no longer exist; some of those that have survived are badly damaged. The loose letters are arranged chronologically, except for some fragments, which are unarranged. Other letters removed from this series are in the "Historical File."

12.10 This series of letters sent pertains to all phases of the Bureau's activities and reflects the roles of the early Commissioners in defining and implementing Bureau programs. Each bound volume contains an index to correspondents and subjects. The subjects covered by the letters include the collection and dissemination of information on school administration in States and localities, the administration of the educational program in Alaska, the allocation of Federal funds to land-grant colleges under provisions

of the Morrill Acts of 1862 and 1890, foreign school systems, international conferences and expositions on education, and the preparation of Bureau publications. Among these records are copies of official reports to the Secretary of the Interior prior to 1892, and communications with prominent American and foreign educators. Most of the extant letters in this series are reproduced as part of National Archives Microfilm Publication M635, *Letters Sent by the Commissioner of Education, 1870-1909* (rolls 1-61). None of the fragments has been filmed.

12.11 In January 1892 the Bureau began filing copies of letters to Federal officials in a separate series: **press copies of letters sent to Federal officials, "Dept." series, 1892-1909** (17 vols., 2 ft.). The volumes are arranged numerically (Nos. 1-19, with gaps) and the letters chronologically. Volume 11 (July-December 1903) and volume 14 (March-July 1905) are missing. Included are letters and reports to the Secretary of the Interior, the recordskeeper and budget officer of the Interior Department, and Sheldon Jackson, the General Agent for Education in Alaska, concerning the administration of public schools in Alaska and the introduction of reindeer into the Alaskan economy. Earlier letters of this kind are in the "O" series of press copies already described (12.9-12.10). Some of the letters originally bound in this series were later removed from the volumes and interfiled with the unbound copies of letters sent that are also part of the "O" series. The letters described in this series appear in National Archives Microfilm Publication M635 (rolls 60, 61, and 63-71).

12.12 Education was the predominant theme of an exposition held in New Orleans, LA, from December 16, 1884, to June 30, 1885. Exhibits at the exposition illustrated many fields of teaching and educational institutions, including common, private, normal, and commercial schools; agricultural colleges; institutions for the deaf, dumb, and blind; and foreign educational systems. The Bureau's role in preparing exhibits, coordinating the efforts of educational institutions, and providing for the transfer of exhibited materials to museums is reflected in the chronologically arranged **press copies of letters sent relating to the World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition, "Ex" Series, 1884-86** (2 vols., 3 in.). The later letters also concern the preparation of the special report *Educational Exhibits and Conventions at the World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition, New Orleans, 1884-85* (Washington, 1886). Commissioner John Eaton sent the letters to E.A. Burke, director-general of the exposition; Lyndon A. Smith, the official representative of the Bureau at the exposition; and State, local, and foreign educators during the periods May-October 1884 (vol. 1) and May 1885-September 1886 (vol. 5). Neither the replies of those officials nor the press copy volumes covering the period October 1884-May 1885 have been located. The letters described in this series appear in National Archives Microfilm Publication M635 (roll 62). Additional records relating to this exposition are found in several record groups, including Record Group 43, Records of International Conferences, Commissions, and Expositions, and Record Group 48, Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, which are described respectively in *The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-12: Part I, A Guide to Records of the Department of State for the Territorial Period*, and *Part IV, A Guide to Records of the Department of the Interior for the Territorial Period, Section 1, Records of the Offices of the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of Railroads*.

12.13 Although the letters received are missing, some bound indexes and letter registers have been preserved. The bound **indexes to letters received, 1893-1907** (11 vols., 2 ft.), show the name of the correspondent and the numerical file designation assigned to the letter when it was received in the Bureau. There is one volume for each of the years 1893-1900, 1903, 1904, and 1907; the entries in each volume are arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent. Entries in the **registers of letters received, 1880 and 1886** (2 vols., 4 in.), are arranged numerically by file designation and thereunder mostly by date of receipt. Shown for each letter is its numerical file designation, date, date of receipt, and subject; the name and address of the correspondent; and the date of the reply or other disposition. Some of the letters covered by these two series are in the "Historical File," described below, but the bulk of the letters are missing.

12.14 While the origin of the **"Historical File," ca. 1870-1950** (41 ft.), is not certain, its subject-numeric classification scheme suggests that many of these records once constituted the agency's central file, probably established in 1909, when the Bureau discontinued the use of the press copy books and began using a flat filing system. What may have begun as a central file, however, appears to have fallen into disuse and to have acquired instead the characteristics of a "historical" or reference file. The file includes records of the Commissioner, administrative officials, and specialists, including correspondence,

memorandums, reports, issuances, minutes, organization charts, study and survey materials, resolutions, and publications. The documents pertain to the history, organization, programs, policies, and activities of the agency and to educational standards, methods, facilities, problems, and trends in the United States and elsewhere. Also included are some letters drawn from the press copies of letters sent and a few from the large series, now missing, of letters received by the Bureau, 1870-1908. No authoritative copy of the classification scheme used to file these records has been found, but the National Archives staff reconstructed the scheme from the file numbers and subject headings found in the records. The general file headings and selected, dated subheadings are given in the table accompanying this chapter (pp. 6-7).

Records of the Editorial Division

12.15 Established in 1910, the Editorial Division was responsible for editing manuscripts that with a few exceptions were prepared by Bureau specialists and for distributing agency publications. One of the series assigned to the Division is a set of **record copies of publications, 1875-1963** (42 ft.), arranged by publication series and thereunder either chronologically or numerically. The series is incomplete, but it contains a substantial number of publications of the Office. Included are *Circulars of Information*, published from 1870 to 1903, *Bulletins*, issued from 1889 to 1910, and the annual reports of the Commissioner. Given their scope and the wealth of detail they contain, the annual reports in particular reflect the fulfillment of the agency's functions of investigation and dissemination of information about education. Based upon narrative and statistical reports submitted to the Commissioner, the annual reports may, in some respects, be considered a limited substitute for the missing incoming letters because they present in whole or in summary form much of the information that would be found in the missing documents.

12.16 A comparison of the contents of the annual reports for 1870 and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1913, shows the development of education in the United States over the 43-year period as well as the areas of interest pursued by the Commissioner. The one-volume report for 1870 begins with the Commissioner's summary report, followed by nearly 500 pages of papers on various aspects of education in the United States and other countries and by 21 tables covering general school statistics for the United States. The first, and most substantive, paper is "Abstracts from the reports of school officers of States, Territories, and cities, with tables of statistical details by counties," which includes sections on the States of Arkansas, California, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, Oregon, and Texas, and the Territories of Arizona, Colorado, Dakota, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming. No county statistics for Arkansas, Oregon, or Texas are found, and the statistics for the Territories are somewhat limited. Information about Indian Territory is included in a paper called "General Condition of Education Among the Indians," which is broken down by geographical area. The topics of other papers are varied, including medical education in the United States; normal schools; society, crime, and criminals; Hebrew education, including information about Jewish schools in St. Louis, MO; Chinese migration; and education and labor. A paper on illiteracy in the United States includes statistics by State/Territory for 1850 and 1860 on the number of males and females, white and free colored, over 20 years old, who could not read and write.

12.17 The tables for 1870 provide statistics on pupils and teachers; school finances; colleges; theological seminaries; law schools; medical, dental, and pharmaceutical institutions; normal schools; agricultural and scientific schools; commercial colleges; institutions for the deaf and dumb, the insane, the blind, the idiotic, and inebriates; Young Men's Christian Associations; principal libraries in the United States; and reformatories and State prisons in 1868, as well as a summary of the results of examinations for admission to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point for the period 1856 to 1870, inclusive, arranged by State and Territory. The tables for State prisons are particularly informative because they include entries covering the kinds of productive labor engaged in; types of punishment for prison offenses; provisions for secular instruction, religious services, and funerals; and regulations relating to correspondence and visitors.

12.18 By 1913 the Commissioner's report had grown to two volumes, comprising nearly 900 pages of narrative and 700 pages of statistical tables. Volume I includes chapters on higher education; medical education; dental education; secondary education; city school systems; kindergartens; rural education; agricultural education in 1912-13; commercial education; vocational education; popular education in fine art; educational work of American museums; library activ-

ities; Roman Catholic, Jewish, Lutheran, and Mormon schools; methods and means of health education; education of exceptional children in public schools; education of the deaf and the blind; training of delinquent children; progress of teacher training; educational boards, foundations, and associations; Young Men's Christian Associations; motion pictures as an aid to education; schools conducted by the U.S. Government, including Army and Navy schools and Indian schools; and educational legislation in the States.

12.19 The tables making up Volume II cover various aspects of the following general subjects: State common school systems, 1911-12; retirement allowance systems of the public schools; city school systems, 1912-13; universities, colleges, and technological schools; agricultural and mechanical colleges; professional schools, including schools of theology, law, medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, and veterinary medicine; public and private normal schools; summer schools in 1913; public and private high schools; manual and industrial training, including schools for Indian children; commercial and business schools; schools for Negroes; State industrial schools; schools for the blind and deaf; and schools for the feeble-minded.

Records of the Educational Media Branch

12.20 The Educational Media Branch was established in 1862 to collect audiovisual materials useful for education. Most of the extant material collected by the Branch originated after 1913, but two **sound recordings of voices of prominent persons, 1912-51**, capture Theodore Roosevelt's delivery of two speeches in 1912: "The Farmer and the Business Man" and "Why the Trusts and Bosses Oppose the Progressive Party."

Records of the Office of the Assistant Commissioner

Records of the Division of Higher Education

12.21 The Division of Higher Education was established in 1911, although the Bureau had been active in that field since 1867. The Division collected and disseminated information about higher education, including professional schools, normal schools, and junior colleges, and administered funds appropriated for the establishment and support of land-grant colleges. Reports, memorandums, and correspondence constitute the **office file of the specialists in land-grant college statistics, 1911-22** (2 in.). The specialists were responsible for collecting educational and financial data about the colleges and for auditing their expenditures of funds provided by the Federal Government.

Records of the American Schools Division

12.22 The American Schools Division was established in 1929 by consolidating the former City Schools and Rural Schools Divisions. This Division and its predecessors were responsible for studying problems and disseminating information about school administration and teaching methodology in kindergartens, elementary schools, and high schools. A device for improving utilization of school buildings, known as the platoon plan, was one of the programs that came under the Division's scrutiny.

12.23 The platoon plan, also known as the "work-study-play plan" or "Gary plan," was developed in Gary, IN, early in the 20th century. Under the plan, students were divided into platoons, some using classrooms while others used other facilities of the schools so that larger numbers of students could be accommodated than would otherwise be possible. By 1924 one in six cities with a population of 30,000 had one or more schools using the plan. The Bureau of Education did not officially promote use of the plan, but it did hold a series of conferences on it and established a service for the collection and distribution of relevant information. This **reference file on the platoon plan, ca. 1911-37** (6 ft.), consists of correspondence regarding Bureau policy on the plan, notes, and reports of schools that used it and covers Indian schools and schools in more than 100 U.S. cities, including Hawaii. Among the cities represented are Jerome and Tucson, AZ; Crossett, Fort Smith, Hot Springs, Little Rock, and Stuttgart, AR; Coalinga, Fresno, Long Beach, Sacramento, and Santa Monica, CA; Colorado Springs, Denver, and Pueblo, CO; Newton, IA; Lawrence, KS; Duluth and St. Paul, MN; Kansas City, MO; Tulsa, OK; Portland, OR; Austin, Dallas, El Paso, and Port Arthur, TX; Ogden, UT; and Seattle and Spokane, WA.

TABLE - 12.14
SELECT FILE NUMBERS AND SUBJECTS OF "HISTORICAL FILE"

File No.	Subject
100	Organization of the Office
	Efficiency and economy, 1887-1912
	Suggestions for new programs
104	Conservation education
106	Cooperation with public and private agencies
	Census Bureau, 1909-15
	Children's Bureau, 1907-21
	Geological Survey, 1908
	Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1911-14
	National Education Association, 1904-20
	General Education Board, 1909-23
	National Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Associations, 1908-19
	Miscellaneous
107	Commissioner's file
108	Annual reports of the Office
112	Museum of the Bureau, 1887 and 1905-10
	Psycho-physical Laboratory, 1899-1908
	Arthur MacDonald, specialist in education as a preventive of pauperism and crime, 1892-1903
204	College standards, 1909-30
204a	Certification and accrediting colleges and universities
	Oriental University, 1911-25
205	Junior colleges
208	Military instruction in colleges
209	Professional education, 1910-30
250	Secondary education
252	Special studies
	Abuse of the Questionnaire Method, 1878-1938
	School Banking
	Music
	Simplified Spelling
420	Immigrant education
	Citizenship
	Americanization
	Illiteracy
	Adult education
	Negro education
	Education in prison
430	Adult civic education

File No.	Subject
450	Special problems
	Negroes
	Exceptional children
	Education in prison
500	Statistics
501	Local school surveys, ca. 1911-26 [Asterisks indicate that the records are damaged and the file may not be complete.]
	General
	Indian schools
	Arizona
	*Phoenix, AZ
	Los Angeles, CA
	Colorado
	*Colorado Springs, CO
	Idaho
	Iowa
	*Webster Groves, MO
	Nevada
	New Mexico
	Portland, OR
	*South Dakota
	*Texas State institutions
	Sherman, TX
	Ogden, UT
	Washington
	*Wyoming
502	Schools on Government reservations
600	School building problems
	National Advisory Council on School Building Problems
	Platoon plan, 1907-34
605	Industrial/vocational education
	Vocational rehabilitation
901	Negro education
902	Character or moral education
905	Publication programs
907	Home education and parent-teacher relationship

Record Group 22

RECORDS OF THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

The Mississippi River, with its tributaries and subtributaries, as laid down on the larger maps of the United States, exhibits over 120,000 miles of combined lengths, which we know falls much within the extent of waters available for food-fishes; and were the system of the Chinese adopted, all waters would be considered down to the brooks, ponds, and even ditches.

From this an idea may be formed of the vast work to be done in making the waters of the United States afford their proper quota of the food resources of the future.

Spencer F. Baird, Commissioner, United States Commission of Fish and Fisheries, Report of the Commissioner for 1873-4 and 1874-5, *p. xxviii*.

Two distinct lines of research are carried on by this division [Economic Ornithology and Mammalogy]; *one devoted to the study of certain species or groups of species which are harmful or beneficial from a directly economic stand-point, and particularly from the farmer's point of view; the other--equally or even more important--a study of the fundamental facts, principles, and laws which underlie the present geographical distribution of life.*

J.M. Rusk, Secretary, First Report of the Secretary of Agriculture (*1889*), p. 23.

INTRODUCTION

22.1 The United States Fish and Wildlife Service of the Department of the Interior, originally called the Fish and Wildlife Service, was formed June 30, 1940, by a merger of the Bureau of Fisheries, formerly of the Department of Commerce, and the Bureau of Biological Survey, formerly of the Department of Agriculture. Both bureaus had been transferred to the Department of the Interior on July 1, 1939, and both bureaus had evolved from administrative units established in the second half of the 19th century.

22.2 A direct predecessor of the Bureau of Fisheries was the United States Commission of Fish and Fisheries (commonly called the United States Fish Commission), an independent agency established under a Joint Resolution of Congress of February 9, 1871. The joint resolution directed the President to appoint a civil officer or other employee of the Government to serve without salary as the Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries. Spencer F. Baird, Assistant Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, accepted the appointment and served as Commissioner until his death in 1887. Early in the following year, the job of Commissioner was made a salaried position.

22.3 In 1903 the formerly independent Commission was placed under the supervision of the newly created Department of Commerce and Labor and renamed the Bureau of Fisheries. The Commissioner became the Commissioner of Fisheries. When the Department was divided in 1913, the Bureau of Fisheries was assigned to the Department of Commerce. On July 1, 1939, as part of the President's Reorganization Plan II, the Bureau was transferred to the Department of the Interior.

22.4 The original duties of the United States Fish Commission were to conduct scientific investigations to determine the reasons for the decrease in commercial food fish and aquatic animals in the coastal and inland waters of the United States and to recommend possible remedies. Related activities included studying the effect of river impoundment projects on fish migrations patterns and investigating the effects of red tides and water pollution on fishery resources.

22.5 The work of the Bureau of Biological Survey stemmed from a clause in the Agricultural Appropriation Act of March 3, 1885, which authorized the Division of Entomology in the Department of Agriculture to conduct investigations into the interrelationships of birds and agriculture. The scope of this work was expanded by an act of June 30, 1886, that authorized investigations of mammals and their relationship to agriculture and forestry. The investigations were to be conducted by the newly established Division of Economic Ornithology and Mammalogy, and Clinton Hart Merriam was appointed the first Chief of

the Division. The word "Economic" was dropped from the Division's name in 1891; in 1896, the Division was renamed the Division of Biological Survey; and in 1905 it became the Bureau of Biological Survey. The Survey remained in the Department of Agriculture until 1939, when it was transferred to the Department of the Interior in accordance with the President's Reorganization Plan II.

22.6 Until 1900 the work of the Biological Survey was organized along two lines: conducting research into the habits and life histories of birds and mammals, particularly their geographic distribution, and investigating the food habits of birds and mammals to determine the economic relationship of those habits to agriculture. Later the Survey undertook investigations concerning commercial fur production and bird and animal diseases.

22.7 Under the Lacey Act of May 25, 1900, the Biological Survey acquired regulatory duties. Thereafter, the Survey undertook the compilation and publication of State game laws and regulations, issued regulations governing the importation of mammals and birds, and cooperated with State game authorities in enforcing laws regarding the interstate shipment of birds killed in violation of State game laws. The "Egg Act" of June 3, 1902, extended the regulation of imports to include the eggs of game birds. Additional duties were imposed by the Alaska Game Law of June 7, 1902, the Federal Migratory Bird Law of March 4, 1913, and later acts regarding the protection of migratory birds.

22.8 The Biological Survey maintained and operated the Federal refuge system. Before 1929, all refuge areas administered by the Biological Survey were acquired by Executive order, act of Congress, gift, or cession. The first bird refuge, on Pelican Island in Florida, had been established in 1903 by an Executive order, and 55 more were established by 1913. In 1909 the Survey expanded its management duties to include big game preserves when it acquired from the Forest Service jurisdiction over the National Bison Range in western Montana. Responsibility for the operation of predator and rodent control programs came after 1914.

22.9 The records discussed in this chapter are those of selected predecessors of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service. Records concerning Alaskan fur seals and salmon fisheries that were transferred from the Department of the Treasury are not considered although they form an important component of the records of the Bureau of Fisheries. Likewise, records of the Biological Survey relating to enforcement of the Alaska Game Law of June 7, 1902, are not discussed since they fall outside the scope of this guide. Because many series of records created by the early administrative units were maintained by more than one successor Bureau or Service, they are described as records of the later organizations; for example, the general correspondence of the Bureau of Fisheries was incorporated into the general classified files of the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, an agency that was not established until 1956. Cartographic and photographic records are described with the textual records of the appropriate operational unit, although in most instances they are not actually filed with the textual records. Records of some field installations, mostly of post-1912 origin, are in the custody of the regional facilities of the National Archives and Records Administration. Those series that do include pre-1912 materials are described with the records of the appropriate central office operational unit.

22.10 The records of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and its predecessors that were in the National Archives of the United States as of September 30, 1976, are described in detail in the unpublished "Preliminary Inventory of the Records of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service," compiled by Renée M. Jaussaud. Records accessioned after 1976, including those accessioned by the regional archives, are described in a supplement in the National Archives microfiche edition of preliminary inventories.

22.11 Record copies of publications of the United States Commission of Fish and Fisheries, the Bureau of Fisheries, and the Bureau of Biological Survey are part of Record Group 287, Publications of the U.S. Government. Related records can be found in other record groups, particularly Record Group 16, Records of the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture, which includes correspondence concerning the general supervision of the Bureau of Biological Survey. Copies of letters prepared by the Bureau for the signature of the Secretary, 1906-29, are reproduced as part of National Archives Microfilm Publication M440, *Letters Sent by the Secretary of Agriculture, 1893-1929* (rolls 234-243). Among the record groups with records concerning extensive interagency cooperation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service are Record Group 79, Records of the National Park Service, and Record Group 95, Records of the Forest Service. Also available are legislative records, including those of the Committee on Fisheries, 1884-1921, and the

Committee on Forest Reservations and the Protection of Game, 1896-1921, in Record Group 46, Records of the U.S. Senate. Record Group 233, Records of the U.S. House of Representatives, includes records of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, 1877-1968, which relate to both fish and wildlife.

22.12 Editorial Note: Many records included in Record Group 22 originated after 1912, and they are not described here. Unless otherwise noted, series consisting of records that originated prior to 1913 but extending beyond that date are described in their entirety. No attempt has been made to determine what part of such series relate to the pre-1913 period. Photographic records that are filed apart from the textual records are identified by alphabetic collection designators shown in parentheses.

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22.13 Most of these records consist of correspondence and other records relating to the general administration of the United States Fish Commission and the Bureau of Fisheries and records concerning special activities that cannot readily be attributed to particular organizational units. In the discussion that follows, the correspondence records, a rather miscellaneous lot consisting of several series of letters received and sent and numerous sets of indexes and registers, are considered first, followed by descriptions of relevant general and fiscal records, photographic records, and divisional records.

Correspondence and Related Records

22.14 The earliest **letters received, 1871-74** (10 vols., 2 ft.), were arranged alphabetically by name of writer or office of writer and then bound. Included in this series are letters from railroad companies, State fishery agencies such as the Minnesota State Fish Commission, and public officials such as the representative of the Mayor of San Antonio, TX, who, in 1874, inquired about the steps necessary to stock the San Antonio River with shad. Access to the letters is facilitated by a name **index, 1871-74** (1 vol., 2 in.), arranged alphabetically by name of writer or office. Letters from Livingston Stone, a Fish Commission agent stationed on the Pacific coast, constitute Volume 7 of the letters received. Additional, unbound letters from Stone are described below (22.15). Other unbound **letters received, 1871-72** (4 in.), arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent, primarily concern fishery research in the United States and Europe. Filed with a few of the letters are copies of Spencer Baird's replies. These unbound letters are not indexed.

22.15 Livingston Stone, who had operated a fish hatchery in New Hampshire before he joined the Fish Commission, was one of Spencer Baird's first assistants on the Commission. In 1872 he was sent to the Pacific coast to develop the fisheries in that region. He founded Fish Commission stations on the McCloud River in California and on the Clackamas River in Oregon. In 1894 he was transferred from the Far West to Cape Vincent, NY, where he remained until his retirement in 1906. The **letters received from Livingston Stone, 1874-77** (2 in.), are arranged chronologically and relate to fishery investigations and the establishment and operation of fish culture stations, particularly in California. Many of the 1877 letters, however, were written in Oregon. Other letters from Stone are found in records described below (22.17 and 22.18). During the course of his work, Stone compiled lists of Indian words of the "M'Cloud Dialect" (probably Wintu) and their meanings; these are published in the second (1872 and 1873) and third (1873-74 and 1874-75) reports of the U.S. Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries.

22.16 Letters received from executive departments and other Federal agencies, 1876-81 (7 in.), arranged by name of Department or agency, concern the assignment of vessels for use by the Commission, arrangements for Commission participation in international expositions, and other matters pertaining to the work of the Commission. Included are letters from the Topographers Office of the Post Office Department, discussing data needed for the preparation of maps, and letters from the Justice Department relating to the protection of public property at the McCloud River Station in California from "lawless persons."

22.17 Letters received, 1878-81 (7 ft.), arranged by year and thereunder alphabetically by name of office or writer, include letters from private individuals requesting information about certain kinds of fish or commenting on current research undertaken by the Commission or other fishery specialists, and from employees in the field reporting on hatchery operations and fishery research. Letters from employees are usually filed by name of individual. A few of the letters in this series are recorded in the **register of let-**

ters received, 1877-81 (1 vol., 1/2 in.), which includes entries arranged by name of writer, often with many letters from one writer grouped together. Within the groups, no discernible order is apparent. The register provides information on the date of receipt and the contents of the letter. Most of the letters registered cannot be located among the records of the Bureau of Fisheries.

22.18 Letters received, 1882-1900 (120 ft.), are arranged by the file numbers that were assigned when the letters were recorded in the **registers of letters received, 1882-1917** (91 vols., 14 ft.); register entries are arranged for the most part chronologically by date of receipt of the letters. A few letters received as early as 1871 were registered in these volumes and incorporated into this series of letters received. Register entries consist of a synopsis of the contents of each letter, the registration number, the date of the letter, and the date the letter was received. Through June 1982 the letters were numbered in one continuous numerical sequence; thereafter, a new sequence was started at the beginning of each fiscal year. The letters themselves include requests for information about certain kinds of fish and aquatic animals; applications for shipments of fish and eggs from private individuals, State fish commissions, game clubs, and foreign governments; and reports from employees on the status of hatchery operations and research at biological laboratories. All letters received and registered after 1900, as well as many earlier ones removed from this series, are part of subject files maintained separately.

22.19 Subject access to the letters described above is provided by an **index to letters received, 1882-87** (1 vol., 2 in.), and **indexes to letters received, 1894-1917** (21 vols., 2 ft.). Access by name of correspondent is facilitated by **indexes to letters received and letters sent, 1882-1906** (19 vols., 3 ft.), with each volume containing entries arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent and covering both letters received and letters sent, and by **indexes to letters received, 1906-17** (9 vols., 1 ft.). All letters received after 1900 are divided among many series; the letters sent are described below.

22.20 The outgoing letters covered by the index described above make up the **press copies of letters sent, 1871-1906** (699 vols., 74 ft.), which, until 1884, were arranged for the most part in chronological order. Thereafter, different volumes were used for letters handled by different administrative units of the Commission and the Bureau. Beginning in January 1882, most of the letters were numbered in order of copying. An alphabetical index to names is found in the front of most of the volumes. Also available is a **card index to subjects of letters sent, 1903-6** (6 in.), compiled on 4- by 6-inch cards and arranged alphabetically by subject. The letters are recorded in **registers of letters sent, 1881-87** (11 vols., 2 ft.), with entries, arranged by letter number, providing the name of the correspondent, the letterbook number, the page number, and a summary of the reply.

22.21 A one-volume **register of letters sent, 1890-94** (2 in.), records the name of the addressee, the date the letter was written, the name of the city to which the letter was sent, and a summary of the contents of the letter. Although copies of the letters registered in this volume are not among the records, information about the concerns of correspondents in Western States can be gleaned by scanning the address column of the register to locate letters sent to western locations.

22.22 Other records created to provide access to the incoming and outgoing letters discussed above (22.18 and 22.20, respectively) are **correspondence ledgers, 1882-86** (5 vols., 5 in.), containing abstracts of correspondence primarily with employees of the Commission and prominent individuals interested in the work of the Commission. The abstracts in each volume are arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent, and the names are listed at the beginning of each volume. The series consists of two volumes for 1882-83, and one each for 1884, 1885, and 1886.

22.23 Chronologically arranged letters sent to hatchery superintendents, messengers, and others concerning the distribution of fish and eggs make up the series of **press copies of letters sent by the Car and Messenger Service, 1888-94** (6 vols., 6 in.). Each volume contains an alphabetical index to names of correspondents. Closely related in subject matter are the **press copies of distribution orders for fish and eggs, 1891** (1 vol., 1 in.), arranged in rough chronological order by date of receipt and showing species requested and destination. The volume, which contains an alphabetical index by State, covers orders from all areas west of the Mississippi River except Arizona and Nevada, including orders from both Indian Territory and Oklahoma Territory.

22.24 The construction and improvement of hatchery facilities are discussed in the chronologically arranged **press copies of letters sent by the Office of the Engineer and Architect, 1886-1906** (11 vols., 1 ft.). Included are letters sent to station superintendents concerning the construction and repair of hatchery

facilities, to supply firms regarding the acquisition and cost of construction materials, and to the Division of Fish Culture concerning the condition of facilities at various hatcheries and recommendations about improvements.

22.25 A series called **correspondence of Hugh M. Smith relating to the Bureau of Fisheries, 1885-1910** (10 in.), consists mostly of letters sent and received by Dr. Hugh M. Smith and other Bureau personnel relating to seafood research and experiments. The letters, arranged alphabetically by surname of correspondent, concern studies of salmon fisheries, statistical data on oyster and shrimp markets (San Francisco area), and fishery research at Upper Klamath Lake, OR, and other sites. Also included are references to egg fertilization (Menidia eggs) experiments, and fish sperm breeding experiments. The 1890 census statistics of the Fish Commission and studies of fish stomachs collected from several rivers including the Missouri and the Mississippi are two of the subjects discussed in Hugh M. Smith's **correspondence concerning fishery expeditions, experiments, and research, 1885-1908** (5 in.). The letters are arranged alphabetically by subject.

22.26 Four series of records originated in the Office of the Commissioner. The **correspondence of U.S. Fish Commissioner Spencer F. Baird, 1872-1886** (1 ft.), arranged by file number, includes letters and reports relating to Fish Commission disbursements, repair estimates, shad hatching, and other subjects. Among the documents are copies of the 1880 fishery census, a "diary of events" (1881), and an index of letters received (1882). **Press copies of confidential letters sent by Commissioner G. Brown Goode, Sept. 1887-Jan. 1888** (1 vol., 1 in.), partially document the concerns of Spencer Baird's immediate successor. These letters relate primarily to an investigation of all aspects of the work of the Fish Commission, scientific inquiries, and the Pacific coast voyage of the steamer *Albatross*. The letters are arranged chronologically, and the volume contains an index arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent. The corresponding letters received have not been found.

22.27 Goode's successor, Marshall McDonald, died unexpectedly in 1895. Records found in his files make up the **letters received by Marshall McDonald, 1879-95** (2 ft.), arranged mainly by name of correspondent. Included are some copies of letters sent, reports, and memorandums, as well as some letters received by McDonald during his tenure as Assistant in charge of the Division of Fish Culture prior to his appointment as Commissioner in 1888. The records concern fish culture projects of the Bureau, establishment of fish hatcheries, fishery research, dealings with Government departments, and related matters. Some of these letters are recorded in the registers of letters received (22.18). Copies of McDonald's replies are included in the general series of letters sent (22.20) and in the **press copies of confidential letters sent by Commissioner Marshall McDonald, 1888-95** (3 vols., 4 in.), arranged chronologically, with some overlap between volumes. An alphabetical index by name of correspondent is contained in each volume. Included are letters to the President, Members of Congress, Federal Government officials, Fish Commission employees in the field, fishery biologists with private research institutions, and others, concerning congressional investigations of the Commission, appropriations, transfer of the Commission to the Agriculture Department, fishery research, and related matters. Some of the replies are to letters among the main body of letters received (22.18).

General Records

22.28 **Daily journals, 1873-87** (3 vols., 4 in.), provide an abstract chronological record of Commission activities in Washington and in the field. Also noted is the receipt of significant correspondence. **Bulletins, circulars, and sample forms, ca. 1871-98** (1 in.), are arranged by type of record in a binder. The bulletins issued by the Commission in 1881-82 provide a census of certain food fish caught in the coastal waters of the United States; the circulars furnish instructions on the collection of statistical data.

22.29 Claims against the Bureau, fishing rights and regulations, and land title disputes are some of the subjects covered by **records concerning legal questions, 1894-1925** (2 ft.). The records, consisting of background papers, correspondence, court judgments, opinions by the Secretary of Commerce, and related documents, are arranged by subject. Also arranged by subject are copies of legislation, correspondence, congressional committee reports, and related **records concerning legislation, 1891-1937** (2 ft.), that relate to fishery laws and regulations, appropriations, and matters affecting the duties and responsibilities of the United States Fisheries Commission.

22.30 The responsibilities of Commission and Bureau employees are reflected in two series. **Oaths of**

office, 1893-1904 (6 in.), which are completed forms arranged alphabetically by name of individual, document the employment of individuals appointed to field and central office positions. **Records concerning charges, complaints, and investigations, 1887-1925** (4 ft.), arranged chronologically in order of consideration, consist primarily of correspondence relating to investigations of charges against employees of the Bureau of Fisheries. A list of the files is available. Among those investigated were employees at Leadville, CO (1896 and 1906); Neosho Station, MO (1897); Homer Station, MN (1908-15 and 1920); and Mammoth Spring, AR (1918). The files also include records relating to the 1908 investigation of the Bureau of Fisheries.

22.31 Records concerning expositions, 1880-1926 (4 ft.), arranged chronologically by year of exposition, consist of correspondence and other records documenting participation of the Commission and the Bureau in national and international expositions. A list of the expositions is available. Included are files for the World's Columbian Exposition held in Chicago, IL, in 1893; the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition, Omaha, NE, 1898; the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, St. Louis, MO, 1904; the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition, Portland, OR, 1905; and the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, Seattle, WA, 1909. **Account books for expositions, 1880-1916** (16 vols., 2 ft.), arranged by exposition, document the expenses related to constructing and operating exhibits. A few loose records are found in a folder filed with the volumes. Photographs of the exhibits at most of the expositions also are available (22.37). Records relating to Federal participation in expositions are found in several other record groups, chief among them Record Group 43, Records of International Conferences, Commissions, and Expositions. Relevant records in that record group are discussed in *The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-1912: Part I, A Guide to Records of the Department of State for the Territorial Period*.

22.32 Records of the Joint Commission Relative to the Preservation of the Fisheries in Waters Contiguous to Canada and the United States, 1893-95 (12 ft.), consist primarily of field notes and transcripts of reports of interviews with fishermen concerning species taken, gear and methods used, regulation of the fisheries, opening and closing of seasons, and related matters. Most of the records are in binders arranged for the most part by name of body of water under investigation. Included are records relating to Lake Superior, Lake of the Woods, and Puget Sound. The final report of the Commission was published as H. Doc. 315, 54th Congress, 2d session (Serial 3534). Additional information about the Puget Sound salmon fisheries is found among **records concerning relations with Canada, 1905-36** (7 ft.), which also relate to American fishing rights in the Great Lakes and to several other topics of mutual concern to Canada and the United States. The correspondence, reports, copies of agreements and regulations, and other records constituting this series are arranged by subject, with a subject list available. Commercial fishing on the Pacific coast is the subject of the chronologically arranged **correspondence with publishers of Pacific Fisherman, 1903-17** (3 in.).

22.33 Commercial firms in Arkansas, Louisiana, and Texas are represented in **records concerning the use of Dogfish (Grayfish) and Eulachon as food, 1903-19** (5 in.), consisting of correspondence, research reports, newspaper clippings, and other documents relating to the nutritive value of the species. The records are arranged by species and thereunder in rough chronological order.

22.34 The activities of a Fish Commission vessel operating along the eastern seaboard and in the Gulf of Mexico are documented in the **logs of the schooner *Grampus*, 1886-93** (12 vols. and unbound pages, 2 ft.). Daily entries give the vessel location and summaries of shipboard happenings.

General Fiscal Records

22.35 Journals, 1871-87 (18 vols., 4 ft.), record disbursements for salaries, office operations, and related matters and are arranged by fiscal year, thereunder by purpose of expenditure. Access to the journal entries is facilitated by an **alphabetical index, 1871-87** (14 vols., 6 in.), arranged by fiscal year and thereunder by name of payee. Several of the early indexes are inserted in the appropriate journals, but most of the indexes are bound separately and filed with the journals.

22.36 Accounts, 1871-1906 (35 vols., 8 ft.), consist primarily of statements of expenditures from appropriated funds, arranged by subject within each volume and thereunder chronologically. The volumes are numbered 1-33, with two of the volumes bound in two parts. Each volume usually covers one fiscal year, and each volume includes an alphabetical index to name of payee. **Statements of accounts current, 1880-1906** (12 vols., 2 ft.), provide daily entries for

wages and expenses, arranged in chronological order and thereunder by function. A **ledger for accounts for special appropriations, 1905-10** (1 vol., 4 in.), primarily covers wages and payments for supplies necessary for the operation of fish hatcheries. The entries are arranged by appropriation, and an alphabetical name index is provided at the end of the volume. Accounts, arranged by name of individual or firm and thereunder chronologically, also are recorded in **ledgers, 1871-80** (2 vols., 3 in.). An alphabetical **index, 1871-78** (1 vol., 1/2 in.), is available for the first of the two ledgers.

PHOTOGRAPHIC RECORDS

22.37 These records, maintained apart from the textual records, include photographic prints, 1879-1922, documenting the hydrographic surveys conducted by the staff of the Fish Commission and the Bureau of Fisheries during voyages on the steamer *Albatross*. The steamer traveled to the Pacific Ocean, the Caribbean islands, South America, and various ports in California, Oregon, Washington, and Alaska. The prints, primarily cyanotypes, are mounted in albums and include views of scenery, communities, the fish and seal industry, fishing vessels, seal rookeries, and marine life (**FA, FFA, FFC**). Also included are albums (**FFB**) containing views of facilities and operations at fish hatcheries located in Arkansas, California, Colorado, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Washington, and Wyoming, as well as pictures of exhibits at expositions in Chicago (1893), St. Louis (1904), Portland (1905), and Seattle (1909).

DIVISIONAL RECORDS

The Division of Fish Culture

22.38 In 1887 the Division of Fish Culture was established to supervise the operation of fish hatcheries, also referred to as fish culture stations, and the distribution of eggs and fry, functions that had been administered by separate organizational units. The Division was under the direct supervision of the Commissioner of Fisheries until 1892, when an Assistant in charge of Fish Culture was appointed. The work of the Division also included the maintenance of fish hatcheries, the development of methods of hatching and transporting eggs and fry, and cooperation with State fish and game agencies.

22.39 Records concerning fish culture stations, 1875-1934 (14 ft.), consist of correspondence, reports, and other records relating to land acquisition, station establishment, hatchery operations, personnel, construction of facilities, and other matters. The records are arranged by station and thereunder by subject. Those stations located west of the Mississippi River are listed below:

Baird, CA
Baker Lake, WA
Battle Creek, CA
Birdsview (Darrington, Duckabush, Quilcene, Sultan, and Elwha River), WA
Bozeman, MT
Clackamas (Big White Salmon, Dedman, and Little White Salmon), OR
Duluth, MN
Fairport, IA
Homer, NE
Leadville, CO
Mammoth Spring, AR
Manchester, IA
Neosho, MO
Quinault, WA
Rogue River, OR
San Marcos, TX
Saratoga, WY
Spearfish, SD
Springville, UT
Yellowstone Park, WY

Correspondence, reports and other records concerning the establishment, operation, subsequent abandonment, and disposition of property and equipment of stations that ceased operating before 1929 make up the **records concerning abandoned stations, 1879-1931** (2 ft.). The records are arranged alphabetically by station and thereunder by subject. A list of the stations is available to researchers, but of those listed only Fort Gaston in California and Mapleton (Suislow) and Upper Clackamas in Oregon were located west of the Mississippi River.

22.40 A separate series of **records concerning the San Marcos [TX], St. Johnsbury [VT], and Spearfish [SD] fish culture stations, 1893-99** (8 in.), consists of correspondence, periodic reports, and other records concerning the construction of station facilities, operations, and related matters. These records are arranged by name of station and thereunder chronologically.

The Division of Scientific Inquiry

22.41 The primary function of the United States Fish Commission in 1871 was the scientific investigation of the distribution, abundance, and life histories of the commercial fishes and animals in the coastal and inland waters of the United States. The work was supervised directly by the Commissioner of Fisheries until 1882, when a Division of Fisheries was established, which conducted scientific investigations and gathered statistical data regarding commercial fishes. In 1887 these two functions were separated, with scientific studies placed under the supervision of an Assistant in charge of the Division of Scientific Inquiry. The early work of the Division emphasized ichthyological, biological, and oceanographic investigations relating to commercial fishes, and research into the propagation of aquatic animals such as mussels, oysters, and sponges. Under an 1888 act, the duties of the Division expanded to include studies of the effect of river impoundment projects on fish migration patterns and the feasibility of using fishways to direct fish around obstructions, both natural and manmade.

22.42 The Division's **general correspondence, 1880-1935** (10 ft.), consists of letters, reports, and related records concerning biological studies of certain commercially important species of fish, shellfish, and mollusks, and investigations of the fishery resources of certain geographical regions of the United States. The records are arranged by subject under the following general headings: Geographical Areas, Species, Laboratories, Analysis, Inquiry, Investigations, Oceanography, and Administration. With the exception of a file on salmon (Studies on Parasites of Pacific Salmon, 1906-17), filed under Species, none of the pre-1913 files appears to relate directly to the Western United States. A list of the individual files is available.

22.43 Reports by fishery biologists concerning fish and shellfish diseases and the effects of pollution of inland and coastal waters on fish are among the **records concerning the pathology of fish and pollution of fishery habitat, 1899-32** (2 ft.). Also included are reports and correspondence relating to Federal control of pollution. The records are arranged alphabetically by name of investigator or by subject. A file listing is available. Few of the early records clearly relate to the trans-Mississippi West. One exception is a 1910 report by M.C. Marsh on salmon marking experiments and the condition of fin-burn brands on chinook salmon after 2 1/2 years.

The Division of Fishery Industries

22.44 From its establishment in 1871, the United States Fish Commission had collected statistical information on commercial fishes in conjunction with its scientific investigations. In 1879 Congress authorized the Commission to compile statistical data on the commercial fishes of the inland and coastal waters of the United States; in 1882 a Division of Fisheries was established to direct both the collection of statistical data and scientific investigations. In 1887 these activities were placed in separate organizational units, with statistical work placed under an Assistant in charge of the Division of Statistical Inquiry, also called the Division of Statistics and Methods. In 1921 the unit was renamed the Division of Fishery Industries.

22.45 Photographs form the bulk of the pertinent records of the Division, but two series of relevant textual records exist. **Press copies of statistical tables, ca. 1892-98** (1 vol., 1 in.), arranged in rough chronological order, include information on the amount and value of certain species of fish caught by region. Similar data compiled on certain species of commercial fish caught in the inland and coastal waters of the United States appears in the chronologically arranged **statistical bulletins, 1897-1920** (8 in.), issued by the Commission and the Bureau of Fisheries.

22.46 Filed apart from the textual records are photographs, 1882-92, collected by the Division of Statistical Inquiry showing fish, oyster, crab, and shrimp operations and fishing communities, including views from California and other areas along the Pacific and Gulf Coasts (**CA**, **CB**, **CC**, **CD**, **CE**, **CF**, **CG**, **CH**, **CJ**, **CK**, **CL**, and **FCB**, **FCC**, **FCD**, **FCE**, **FCF**). An index, 1891 (**FCX**), to the latter series is arranged alphabetically by key words. Many of the photographs are indexed by more than one noun. Photographs, ca 1870-1918, include views of the mother-of-pearl button industry in Iowa, a sturgeon fish caught near Hood River, OR, and inhabitants of Port Townsend, Washington Territory (**BF, MDF, MFK, MFM, MFP, MPB, MSF, MSW**).

RECORDS OF THE BUREAU OF BIOLOGICAL SURVEY

General Records

22.47 The general records of the Bureau of Biological Survey are considered to include records re-

lating to the general administration of the Bureau and files relating to special activities prior to 1940 that cannot be attributed readily to particular organizational units. They do not include general correspondence and other records relating to wildlife management (by the Bureau or successor organizations) that continued in unbroken series after the transfer of Bureau functions to its successor in 1940. Such records are described under the headings of successor organizations. The relevant general records consist of an incomplete correspondence file and several cartographic items that are maintained apart from the textual records.

22.48 The **general correspondence, 1902-31** (2 ft.), known as the "old Alphabetical File," consists of correspondence exchanged with prominent wildlife biologists and others interested in wildlife conservation. The records are arranged alphabetically, chiefly by name of correspondent or organization, and include files for *National Geographic Magazine* and the National Museum. Some of the files belonging to this series were destroyed by fire.

22.49 Filed with the segregated cartographic records is a printed **map from the Death Valley Biological Survey Expedition, 1891** (1 item), showing parts of California, Nevada, Arizona, and Utah traversed in 1891 by the Death Valley Expedition, a biological survey conducted under the direction of C. Hart Merriam. Compiled by the U.S. Geological Survey, the map shows topography, mountain peak elevations, springs, wells, place names, towns, and railroads at a scale of 16 miles to 1 inch. Printed **maps relating to life zones, 1892-1913** (6 items), include maps compiled by C.H. Merriam to show principal life areas of North America and the United States, 1892-97, and maps compiled by Vernon Bailey to show life zones in Texas, New Mexico, and Glacier National Park, Montana, 1905-13.

Divisional Records

The Division of Game Management

22.50 The Division of Game Management, created in 1934, was the successor of several organizational units of the Biological Survey responsible for the administration of Federal statutes for the protection and conservation of wildlife and administration of national wildlife refuges. The following predecessor units had been responsible for some or all of these activities at various times: Section of Game Protection, Division of Game and Bird Reservations, Division of Alaskan Wildlife, Division of Migratory Bird Treaty and Lacey Acts, and Division of Game and Bird Conservation.

22.51 Correspondence, research and periodic reports, reference materials, memorandums, and other **records concerning wildlife refuges, 1892-1939** (12 ft.), form a "reference file" on the establishment and maintenance of Federal wildlife refuges. The records are arranged alphabetically by subject, and a file list is available. The pre-1913 files are listed below:

Bird and Game Refuges, General, 1909-17
Buffalo, 1911-38
Game Refuges in National Forests, 1903-36
Grand Canyon National Game Preserve, AZ, 1908-24
Holy Cross and Wheeler National Monuments, 1908, 1929
Kachess Lake, WA, 1909-21
Kaweah Elk Park, Sequoia National Park, 1903-7
Klamath Marsh, OR, 1909-27
Loch-Katrine Reservation, WY, 1908-21
Military Reservations, List, 1911
National Forest Areas, 1910-33
National Forests, General, 1906-29
National Forests (by State)
Olympus National Monument, 1911-27
Old Papers, Bird Refuges, 1909-17
Private Preserves, General, 1910-21
Sequoia and General Grant National Parks, CA, 1900-29
Winter Elk Refuge:
  Correspondence with Walter B. Sheppard, 1911-21
  Feeding Hay, 1911-12
  Proposed Refuge, 1908-12
Yellowstone National Park, 1909-37

The Division of Predator and Rodent Control

22.52 The Division of Predator and Rodent Control, created in 1938, was the successor to earlier units designated successively as Division of Economic Investigations and Division of Predatory Animal and Rodent Control. The Division conducted cooperative work for the control of predatory animals and injurious rodents that interfered with agriculture, horticulture, forestry, stock raising, and game protection and that served to spread rabies, sylvatic plague, and other diseases of wild animals. Only one series of

records from this Division contains pre-1913 documents. **Records relating to porcupine control in national forests, 1910-34** (1 in.), consists of chronologically arranged correspondence, reports, and other records concerning porcupine control work undertaken jointly by the Survey and the Forest Service. Included are observations on porcupines in the Coconino National Forest, AZ, and the vicinity of Hahn's Peak, CO, in 1910 and in the Zuni Mountain National Forest, NM, in 1911.

RECORDS OF THE FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

General Records

22.53 General correspondence relating to wildlife management, 1890-1956 (610 ft.), consists of letters and related records dealing with the supervision of most activities of the Bureau of Biological Survey and general responsibilities for wildlife management inherited from the Bureau by the Fish and Wildlife Service. The records are arranged by a subject classification system. See the table on page 21 for a list of selected subject headings.

Branch Records

The Branch of Wildlife Research

22.54 In 1948 the Division of Wildlife Research, created in 1934, was designated the Branch of Wildlife Research. The new branch inherited research functions concerning wildlife that had originated in various units of the Biological Survey, including the Division of Biological Investigations, Section of Economic Ornithology and Mammalogy, Division of Economic Investigations, Division of Food Habits Research, Division of Fur Resources, and Section of Wildlife Disease Investigations. A series of **research reports, 1909-51** (14 ft.), includes many documents relating to areas west of the Mississippi River, but only a few of them pre-date 1913. These consist of E.R. Kalmbach's 1911 study entitled "Relation of Birds to Alfalfa Weevil, Utah," and reports on field trips through several States, including Louisiana, Arkansas, and Texas, conducted by W.L. McAtee during the period 1909-11. The records are arranged alphabetically by name of author, with unidentified reports found at the end of the series. A list of the reports is available.

RECORDS OF THE BUREAU OF SPORT FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

22.55 In 1956 the Fish and Wildlife Service was renamed the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and organized into the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife and the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries. A reorganization in 1970 transferred the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries to the Department of Commerce; the United States Fish and Wildlife Service was abolished and its remaining functions were transferred to its former component, the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife. The Bureau held its agency status until 1974, when it was redesignated the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

The Bureau of Commercial Fisheries

22.56 Correspondence, reports, memorandums, and related records pertaining to the operations and programs of the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries and predecessor agencies make up the **general classified files, 1902-65** (316 ft.). The records are arranged according to a decimal classification system, begun in 1937, which replaced the numeric-subject classification system that had been adopted in 1906. When the 1906 system was discontinued, the records were either merged into the new system or placed in subject files. Primary subdivisions of the decimal system, which correspond closely to the organization of the Bureau of Fisheries in 1937, are titled as follows: General, Administration, Black Bass and Anglers, Vessels Service, Alaska Fisheries, Fish Culture, Fishery Industries, and Scientific Inquiry. The Fish Culture subdivision includes files relating to fish hatcheries in the various States. A select list of the decimal classification file headings is available.

The Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife

General Records

22.57 The only relevant general records are the segregated photographs, ca. 1899-1962, created or acquired by the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife and the earlier Biological Survey showing birds, mammals, reptiles, botanical specimens arranged by State and subject, wildlife, refuges, topographical features arranged by State, Indians, scientists, and agency personnel and facilities (**WB, WB-M, WB-T, WB-X, WB-Z**). An index, 1899-1946 (**WX**), ar-

ranged alphabetically by surname of photographer, covers the photographs in WB, WB-M, WB-T, and WB-X. The entries provide the file number for each photograph together with the subject and geographic location of the view.

DIVISIONAL RECORDS

The Division of Wildlife Services

22.58 Created in 1965, this Division inherited functions relating to animal damage control that had been performed by earlier units, especially the Division of Economic Investigations, Division of Predatory Animal and Rodent Control, Division of Game Management, and Division of Predator and Rodent Control. The Division supervised continuing activities to combat animal depredations on livestock, rodent damage to timber and range resources, and bird damage to agricultural crops.

22.59 General correspondence, 1890-1972 (63 ft.), concerns the predator and rodent programs of the Fish and Wildlife Service, with information on various species of predatory animals and rodents, bird problems, rat control, rabies data, and the use and effectiveness of repellents, traps, and poisons. Also included are records documenting the administration of predator and rodent control programs such as policy memoranda, correspondence with members of Congress and State officials, instructions to field personnel, conference reports, budget estimates, and long-range program planning proposals. The records are arranged by subject in rough alphabetical order, and a file list is available. Once again, most of the records originated after 1912; those that contain earlier materials are listed below:

Bounty File, General, 1907-68
Commensal Rodents: Reference, Population and Breeding, 1898-1967
Control of Animals: on Ranges, 1905-68
Coyote: Reference, 1905-68
Crawfish, 1911-63
Diseases: Bubonic and Sylvatic Plague, 1910-68
Field Mice: Reference, 1906-40
Gophers: Correspondence, 1909-64
Ground Squirrels: Reference, 1910-67
Meadow Mice: Reference, 1905-58
Policies and Instructions Regarding Predator and Rodent Control, 1912-50
Prairie Dog: Reference, 1901-65
Rabbits: Reference, 1897-1970
Rabies: U.S. Publications, 1904-54
Wolf: Reference, 1907-69

This series includes files for all of the States, but the contents generally are dated much later than 1912.

The Division of Realty

22.60 Established in 1964 as successor to several units that existed in the Bureau of Biological Survey and the Fish and Wildlife Service, especially the Division of Land Acquisition, Branch of Lands, Division of Technical Services, and Branch of Realty, the Division of Realty supervised continuing activities relating to the acquisition of areas for national wildlife refuges and fish culture stations. The Division's principal series, **correspondence and reports, 1907-68** (48 ft.), with a few earlier documents, consists of letters, title abstracts, condemnations, appraisal reports, Solicitor's opinions, copies of State legislation, permits, and other records concerning the acquisition of certain tracts of land for use as national wildlife refuges and fish hatcheries. Many of the files include blueprint maps. The records are arranged alphabetically by State and thereunder alphabetically by name of wildlife refuge or fish hatchery. Although most of the records originated after 1912, general correspondence files containing early letters are found for California (1910-52), North Dakota (1909-61), and Oklahoma (1910-56). The Minnesota materials include reports and maps, 1907-13, for the Homer fish culture station; the Missouri materials include correspondence, 1887-1959, concerning the Neosho fish culture station; and the Washington materials contain documents relating to the Concully reservation on Bureau of Reclamation lands.

The Division of Wildlife Refuges

22.61 Like its predecessors, the Division of Wildlife Refuges, designated as such in 1938 and again in 1964, was charged with general administration of the national wildlife refuges. Periodic **narrative reports, 1911-86** (334 ft.), summarize the work and evaluate the programs undertaken on refuges and wildlife production areas. The reports are arranged in two chronological segments, 1911-76 and 1977-86. Those in the early segment are arranged alphabetically by name of refuge. Included are reports dated before 1913 for Deer Flat National Wildlife Refuge (NWR), ID, OR;

Fort Niobrara (NWR), NE; and Minidoka (NWR), ID. A complete list of the refuges and the dates of the reports is available. Table-22.61 (pp. 22-24) accompanying this chapter identifies the wildlife refuges established prior to 1913 and the species they harbored as of June 30, 1971.

Records of National Wildlife Refuges

Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge, OK

22.62 The Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge, located in Comanche County, OK, began as the Wichita Forest Reserve, an area carved from the Kiowa, Comanche, and Apache Indian Reservation before the reservation was opened to settlement by non-Indians in 1901. Originally under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior, the area was proclaimed a game preserve as well as a forest reserve by President Theodore Roosevelt in 1905 and its administration transferred to the newly established Forest Service in the Department of Agriculture. In 1907 the Reserve's name was changed to Wichita National Forest and Game Preserve. In 1935 jurisdiction over the Preserve was transferred from the Forest Service to the Bureau of Biological Survey, and the Preserve was renamed the Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge. The records described below are among those of the Refuge that are held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Southwest Region, in Fort Worth, TX. An unpublished inventory of all of the records is available there.

22.63 The records of the Superintendent include subject files and diaries covering the pre-1913 period. The **subject files, 1908-73** (6 ft.), include correspondence with agency officials and the general public and copies of reports, applications, photographs, and newspaper clippings relating to supervision, administration, research, and general activities. In the collection are letters from W.T. Hornady of the New York Zoological Society; cattleman Charles Goodnight; biologist O.J. Murie; the director of the Montana National Bison Range; and other public figures and conservationists. A few records relate to the Cattlemen's Live Stock Association. The records are arranged roughly in chronological segments, often concurrent with the tenure of the superintendent, and thereunder by subject. The **diaries of superintendents, rangers, and guards, 1906-34** (5 ft.), are small pocket-sized books containing handwritten notes made daily about work activities, travel, and events observed. Monthly reports containing the same information on a single sheet accompany some of the diaries. The diaries are arranged by author and thereunder chronologically.

22.64 Among the records of the biologist are 4- by 6-inch cards called **plantation records, 1910-34** (1 in.), arranged chronologically by date of planting. A record of seeding areas or plantations, the cards provide the following information: name of forest, name of project, area, location of planting, date established, number of acres, cost per acre, species, method of planting, and amount per acre.

22.65 Engineering records include typed **surveyor's notes of Wichita Mountains area, 1901-1905** (2 in.), relating to surveys of Township 3 North, 12, 13, 14, and 15 West of Indian Meridian, and Township 5 North, 14 and 15 West of Indian Meridian conducted in 1901 and 1902, respectively, and to a 1904 Wichita Forest Reserve boundary survey in 1904. Chronologically arranged **correspondence related to boundaries, 1906-33** (1 in.), concerns vacant lands and lands proposed for addition to the Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge.

22.66 Information about permits issued for grazing and for mining and oil exploration is contained in the administrative records. **Grazing and brand records, 1907-1919**, arranged by pasture (location), provide a record of cattle permitted to graze on six pastures within the reservation, giving the name of the owner and the number of animals and including a drawing of the cattlebrand, with an indication of the location of the brand on the animal. These records are entered on nine pages of a volume that also includes a record of money allotted by county commissioners for the construction of Meers Road extending north of the refuge. **Special use permits, 1909-13** (1/2 in.), recorded on 4- by 6-inch cards, identify persons allowed special use of facilities or land at Wichita National Forest. Information includes name and address of applicant, date of permit, use to be made, kind of permission granted, and charge. The kinds of permits issued range from haycutting to refreshment stands to camps.

22.67 Additional information about permits is found in **claims and related correspondence, 1904-35** (4 in.), arranged chronologically by date of document. Included are copies of permits issued by the Forest Service for mining and oil exploration and of claims filed with the General Land Office. Information provided by the files varies, but it usually includes the name of the person or company involved, date of

the transaction, type of permit or nature of the claim, location and plats if appropriate, and recommendations of the supervisor.

22.68 Allotment and expenditure records, 1907-60 (8 vols., 3 ft.), are arranged chronologically in yearly increments. Records for 1907-9 are small in quantity, and no records are found for the years 1910-23 or 1951-59.

22.69 Library materials include bound volumes of Forest Service **bulletins and circulars, 1900-1906** (5 vols., 5 in.), arranged by subject. Each binding is printed with a subject title: Reserve Problems; Federal and State Forest Laws; Forest Products; Forest History, Policy, and Economics; and Commercial Tree Studies. Additional **publications relating to forestry, 1902-44** (6 vols., 3 in.), make up a small library of resource books on the history of forestry. Also included is a **collection of technical pamphlets, 1900-1940** (1 ft.), arranged roughly by subject. These technical bulletins, circulars, farmers' bulletins, department bulletins, and miscellaneous publications issued by the Department of Agriculture concern a large variety of biological subjects grouped under the headings of forests, grasslands, cattle, birds, rodent control, insect control, wildlife and fur bearing animals, and miscellaneous. National forests are the focus of a series, **Professional Papers of the Geological Survey, 1902-4** (3 vols., 5 in.), bound under the titles Olympic Cascade Range; Sierra Nevada, San Francisco Mountains, and Black Mesa; and Yellowstone, Little Belt, Lincoln, and Gila. Finally, copies of Geological Survey **maps, 1899** (27 items), show selected quadrangles relating to land classification and density of standing timber.

TABLE - 22.53

SELECT LIST OF SUBJECT CLASSIFICATION FILE HEADINGS
GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT

Alaska

Big Game
  Species
  Miscellaneous (Subject subdivisions)
Biological Investigations
  Birds (Subject and State subdivisions)
  Mammals: Specimens (State subdivisions)
  Surveys (State subdivisions)
  Miscellaneous (Subject subdivisions)

Fur Resources
  Experiment Stations
  Fur Farming (Species subdivisions)
  Miscellaneous (Subject subdivisions)

Game Protection
  Investigations (State subdivisions)
  Permits (Subdivided by name of permittee)
  Regulations (Subject subdivisions)
    Requests for Changes (State subdivisions)
  Treaty Act (Subject subdivisions)
    States (State subdivisions)
  Miscellaneous (Subject subdivisions)
    Depredations (State subdivisions)
    Indians
    Migratory Bird Law (State subdivisions)
    State Officials
    State Laws
    State Violations
    Treaties
General (Subject subdivisions)

Predatory Animal and Rodent Control
  Species (Name subdivisions)
  States (State subdivisions)
  Miscellaneous (Subject subdivisions)
Publications (Subject subdivisions)

Reservations (Name subdivisions with subject subdivisions for larger files. Listed are reservations established before 1913.)
  Belle Fourche, SD (1909)
  National Bison Range, MT (1908)
  Breton Island, LA (1904)
  Bumping Lake, WA (1909)
  Carlsbad, NM (1909)
  Chase Lake, ND (1903)
  Clealum, WA (1909)
  Clear Lake, CA (1911)
  Cold Springs, OR (1909)
  Copalis Rock, WA (1907)
  Deer Flat, ID, OR (1909)
  Elk Refuge, WY (1909)
  Farallon, CA (1909)
  Flattery Rocks, WA (1907)
  Klamath Lake, OR (1909)
  Lake Malheur, OR (1908)
  Loch-Katrine, WY (1908)
  Lower Klamath, CA, OR (1908)
  Minidoka, ID (1909)
  Niobrara, NE (1912)
  Pathfinder, WY (1909)
  Quillayute Needles, WA (1907)
  Rio Grande, NM (1909)
  Shell Keys, LA (1907)
  Tern Island, LA (1907)
  Three Arch Rocks, OR (1907)
  Walker Lake, AR (1911)
  Washington Coast Group, WA (1910)
  Wichita, OK (1905)
  Willow Creek, MT (1909)
  Wind Cave, SD (1903)
  Miscellaneous (Subject subdivisions)
  National Forests (Name subdivisions)
  National Parks (Name subdivisions)
  Proposed (State subdivisions)
  States (State subdivisions)
  Surplus (State subdivisions)

Supervision (Name subdivisions)

Miscellaneous (Subdivided by subject, name of individual, organization, or institution)

TABLE - 22.61

SELECT LIST OF NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES ESTABLISHED BY 1913 AND STILL OPERATING IN 1971

[Based on "Directory of National Wildlife Refuges" as of June 30, 1971, issued by the Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Department of the Interior]

California:

Refuge: Clear Lake
County: Modoc
Acreage: 33,439.6
Date Established: April 11, 1911, on lands, in whole or in part, of the Bureau of Reclamation
Primary Species: White pelicans, geese, shore birds, peregrine falcons

Refuge: Farallon
County: San Francisco
Acreage: 211
Date Established: February 27, 1909
Primary Species: Murres, auklets, guillemots, puffins, sea lions

Refuge: Lower Klamath (see also Oregon)
County: Siskiyou
Acreage: 20,122.1
Date Established: August 8, 1908
Primary Species: Geese, ducks, herons, shore birds, California quail

Idaho:

Refuge: Deer Flat (see also Oregon)
Counties: Canyon, Owyhee
Acreage: 11,423.6
Date Established: February 25, 1909, on lands, in whole or in part, of the Bureau of Reclamation
Primary Species: Canada geese, ducks, white pelicans, pheasants, gulls

Refuge: Minidoka
Counties: Cassia, Blaine, Power, Minidoka
Acreage: 25,629.8
Date Established: February 25, 1909, on lands, in whole or in part, of the Bureau of Reclamation
Primary Species: Canada geese, ducks, whistling swans, sage grouse, grebes

Louisiana:

Refuge: Breton
Parish: Plaquemines
Acreage: 9,047.0
Date Established: October 4, 1904
Primary Species: Waterfowl, brown pelicans, shore birds, gulls, terns, black skimmers

Refuge: Shell Keys
Parish: Iberia
Acreage: 8.0
Date Established: August 7, 1907
Primary Species: Brown pelicans, royal terns

Montana:
Refuge: National Bison Range
County: Sanders, Lake
Acreage: 18,540.3
Date Established: May 23, 1908
Primary Species: Bison, elk, deer, bighorns

Nebraska:
Refuge: Fort Niobrara
County: Cherry
Acreage: 19,123.5
Date Established: January 11, 1912
Primary Species: Bison, Texas longhorns, elk, sharp-tailed grouse, beavers, song birds

North Dakota:
Refuge: Stump Lake
County: Nelson
Acreage: 27.4
Date Established: March 9, 1905
Primary Species: Whistling swans, geese, ducks, white pelicans

Oklahoma:
Refuge: Wichita Mountains
County: Comanche
Acreage: 59,019.6
Date Established: February 2, 1905
Primary Species: Buffalo, elk, Texas longhorns, deer, turkeys, bobwhites, ducks, Mississippi kites

Oregon:
Refuge: Cold Springs
County: Umatilla
Acreage: 3,116.9
Date Established: February 25, 1909, on lands, in whole or in part, of the Bureau of Reclamation
Primary Species: Waterfowl, herons, shore birds

Refuge: Deer Flat (see also Idaho)
County: Malheur
Acreage: 162.4.
Date Established: February 25, 1909
Primary Species: Canada geese, ducks

Refuge: Lower Klamath (see also California)
County: Klamath
Acreage: 1,336.6
Date Established: August 8, 1908, on lands, in whole or in part, of the Bureau of Reclamation
Primary Species: Geese, ducks, herons, shore birds, California quail

Refuge: Malheur
County: Harney
Acreage: 180,794.7
Date Established: August 18, 1908; additional lands closed by Presidential proclamation
Primary Species: Whistling swans, ducks, sage grouse, California quail, sandhill cranes, white pelicans, herons, glossy ibises, shore birds, pronghorns, mule deer

Refuge: Three Arch Rocks
County: Tillamook
Acreage: 17.0
Date Established: October 14, 1907
Primary Species: Cormorants, gulls, murres, puffins

Washington:
Refuge: Copalis
County: Grays Harbor
Acreage: 5.0
Date Established: October 23, 1907
Primary Species: Cormorants, petrels, murres, auklets, guillemots, puffins

Refuge: Flattery Rocks
County: Clallam
Acreage: 125.0
Date Established: October 23, 1907
Primary Species: Auklets, petrels, guillemots, puffins, shore birds

Refuge: Quillayute Needles
Counties: Clallam, Jefferson
Acreage: 98.8
Date Established: October 23, 1907
Primary Species: Petrels, auklets, puffins, cormorants, shore birds

Wyoming:
Refuge: Pathfinder
Counties: Natrona, Carbon
Acreage: 16,806.7
Date Established: February 25, 1909
Primary Species: Western Canada geese, ducks, shore birds

Record Group 57

RECORDS OF THE U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

The first annual report of the director of the United States geological survey...is of so unusual an interest that an abridgment of it cannot be undertaken without doing it an injustice. The various geological and geographical surveys and exploring expeditions, which for many years had been carrying on their work without unity of aim and direction, each one operating upon a plan of its own and not unfrequently overlapping and duplicating each other, were at last merged in an homogenous organization by the act of March 3, 1879. For the first time in our history a geological exploration of the public domain has been organized upon a comprehensive and a systematic basis. The report sets forth that in order to avoid possible conflicts of jurisdiction, the purpose for which the geological survey was organized under the law creating it, namely, the classification of public lands, and, secondly, the examination of the geological structure and the mineral sources of the public domain, were so construed as not to interfere with the business of the General Land Office, and not to extend the operations of the office over the whole area of the United States, but to confine them to the so-called public land States and Territories.

Carl Schurz, "Report of the Secretary of the Interior", Annual Report of the Secretary of the Interior (*1880*), vol. 1, *pps. 47-48*.

INTRODUCTION

57.1 The United States Geological Survey (USGS), commonly referred to as the Geological Survey, was established in the Department of the Interior by an act of March 3, 1879 (20 Stat. 394), which provided for "the classification of the public lands and the examination of the geological structure, mineral resources, and products of the national domain." The Geological Survey inherited some personnel, functions, and records of four earlier surveys. Two of them, the U.S. Geological and Geographical Survey of the Territories (the Hayden Survey), 1867-79, and the U.S. Geographical and Geological Survey of the Rocky Mountain Region (the Powell Survey), 1869-79, had operated under the Interior Department. The other two, the Geological Exploration of the Fortieth Parallel (King Survey), 1867-79, and the U.S. Geographical Surveys West of the One Hundredth Meridian (Wheeler Survey), 1871-79, had operated under the Office of the Chief of Engineers of the War Deparment.

57.2 Clarence King, head of the Geological Exploration of the Fortieth Parallel, was appointed Director of the new agency. Although the administrative organization of the Survey was to change frequently over the years in response to changes in the programs of the agency, King initially organized the Survey into two sections, Mining Geology and General Geology. Based on the Survey's mandate to conduct its work in the region west of the 101st meridian, King divided the area into four geological divisions: the Rocky Mountain Division, headed by Samuel F. Emmons, with headquarters in Denver, CO; the Division of the Colorado, headed by Capt. Clarence E. Dutton, with headquarters in Salt Lake City, UT; the Division of the Great Basin, also headquartered in Salt Lake City, and headed by Grove K. Gilbert; and the Division of the Pacific, headed by Arnold Hague, with headquarters in San Francisco. King also proposed a plan for dividing the remainder of the country into four additional districts should the Survey's operations be extended to the nonpublic lands States.

57.3 The opportunity to extend the Survey's jurisdiction over the Eastern States occurred in 1882, when Congress authorized the Survey to prepare a geologic map of the entire United States rather than just the "national domain," a term interpreted to mean only the public lands. Although some topographic work was being performed by the Survey, John Wesley Powell, head of the Bureau of American Ethnology and King's successor as Director of the Survey, seized this opportunity to expand the topographic staff. Maintaining that a topographic map was a prerequisite to the preparation of a geologic map, Powell immediately established a geographic, or topographic, division. The importance of the topographic work was recognized by Congress in 1888, when the work was specifically mentioned in the Survey's appropriation bill.

57.4 Also in 1888, the Survey was authorized to investigate the extent to which the arid region of the

United States could be reclaimed by irrigation; to identify and segregate irrigable lands; to select sites for reservoirs and other hydraulic works required to store and utilize water for irrigation and the prevention of floods; and to prepare the necessary maps. The lands thus identified were to be reserved from sale as the property of the United States. Congressional and public dissatisfaction with the conduct and progress of the Powell Irrigation Survey and the restrictions it placed on the public domain led to its demise in 1890, but it proved to be a forerunner of the Geological Survey's Water Resources Branch.

57.5 On July 1, 1889, all the geologic divisions were combined to form the Geologic Branch, with Gilbert as Chief Geologist. During fiscal year 1895, the Survey was reorganized. Thereafter, the Geologic Branch consisted of the Divisions of Geology, Paleontology, Chemistry, Hydrography, and Mineral Resources, and the Topographic Branch consisted of the Divisions of Triangulation and Topography.

57.6 During the 1890's the Survey undertook several special investigations directed by Congress. From 1896 to 1898, it conducted a land subdivision survey in Indian Territory. In 1897 it began a long-term survey of forest reserves, producing reports and maps that served as a basis for changes in regulations regarding the use of the reserves and for adjustments in the boundaries of the reserves. The Survey also conducted a survey of the northern portion of the boundary between Idaho and Montana in 1898. Reports and maps produced by the forest reserves survey are published in the Congressional Serial Set as part of the Geological Survey's contributions to the *Annual Reports* of the Secretary of the Interior (Serials 3763, 3923, 4109, and 4110 [an atlas]). Numerous Survey monographs were published as part of the Secretary's *Annual Reports*, including papers making up volumes on precious-metal mining deposits (Serial 3921) and ore deposits (Serial 4296), and Robert T. Hill's study *Geography and Geology of the Black and Grand Prairies, Texas* (Serial 4113).

57.7 In 1902 the Reclamation Service was established within the Geological Survey to carry out the provisions of the Reclamation or Newlands Act. The Service was placed within the Hydrographic Branch, newly upgraded from the Division of Hydrography of the Geologic Branch. The work of the Reclamation Service increased so greatly that the Service was made an independent agency in 1907. Shortly thereafter the Hydrographic Branch was renamed the Water Resources Branch.

57.8 Another independent agency that had its origin in the Geological Survey was the Bureau of Mines. From its inception, the Survey had conducted investigations in important mining areas such as the Leadville region of Colorado and the Comstock Lode in Nevada. The Survey had also issued publications concerning technologic processes. In 1882 it began issuing periodic reports on mineral resources in the United States, and in 1894 it started publishing sections of a geologic map, parts of which were of great interest to the mining industry. In 1898 Congress considered a proposal to establish a separate branch of mines and mining within the Survey, but no action was taken at that time. By 1907, however, the Survey found it necessary to establish a Technologic Branch, composed of a Fuels Division and a Structural-Materials Division to handle some of its mining-related assignments. In 1910 the work of the Structural-Materials Division was transferred to the National Bureau of Standards, and the remaining functions of the Branch became the core of the newly established Bureau of Mines. Fifteen years later, in 1925, the Division of Mineral Resources, part of the Geologic Branch of the Survey, was also transferred to the Bureau of Mines.

57.9 By 1912, the organization of the Survey consisted of five branches (Geologic, Topographic, Water Resources, Publication, and Administrative) and numerous divisions. A Land Classification Board assisted the Department of the Interior in solving public-land problems by making available to the Department the experience and judgment of the Survey's technical and scientific staff and data from the Survey's files on the character of the public lands. Although the Geological Survey was essentially a field organization, its headquarters were located in Washington, DC. Offices were also maintained in the field, primarily in the West.

57.10 The records discussed in this chapter were produced by the predecessor surveys and by some of the administrative units of the Geological Survey mentioned above. The bulk of the records described are from the Survey's headquarters in Washington, DC, but descriptions of records originating in the Survey's field offices and now held by National Archives regional facilities are interspersed throughout the chapter, appearing with those of similar records from Survey headquarters. Unless stated otherwise, all of the textual, cartographic, and photographic records described in this chapter are in the custody of the National Archives at College Park, MD. No published preliminary inventories describing these records are

available at this time, although draft inventories for both headquarters and field records exist.

57.11 Related records are found in several other record groups. Record copies of publications issued by the Survey and its predecessor surveys are a part of Record Group 287, Publications of the U.S. Government. Records of the Reclamation Service and some land classification materials are in Record Group 115, Records of the Bureau of Reclamation, and records of the Division of Mineral Resources and other mining-related records are in Record Group 70, Records of the Bureau of Mines. Record Group 48, Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, includes considerable material about the administration of the Survey and the Survey's dealings with other components of the Interior Department, including the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the General Land Office. Records documenting the General Land Office's general supervision of all public surveys and resurveys, direction of cadastral (boundary) surveys and resurveys, and land classification activities are found in Record Group 49, Records of the Bureau of Land Management.

57.12 Records concerning the Geological Survey are also found in Record Group 46, Records of the U.S. Senate, which includes a small quantity of material from the Committee on the Geological Survey, 1899-1921, and in Record Group 233, Records of the U.S. House of Representatives, which includes records from the Committee on Mines and Mining, 1865-1946, the committee that had jurisdiction over the Geological Survey. References to additional records concerning the predecessor surveys, particularly the Wheeler Survey, are given below.

57.13 Editorial Note: Many records included in Record Group 57 originated after 1912, and they are not described here. Unless otherwise noted, series consisting of records that originated prior to 1913 but extending beyond that date are described in their entirety. No attempt has been made to determine what part of such series relates to the pre-1913 period. As might be expected, this record group includes extensive cartographic records and a fairly large collection of photographic records. Most cartographic records, and to a lesser extent the photographic records, are arranged by administrative units or predecessor surveys. It should be noted, however, that about 1949, the Geological Survey changed the designation of its major administrative units from branches to divisions. While the textual records described below are attributed whenever possible to the branches and subordinate divisions that existed in 1912 or earlier, most of the cartographic records are attributed to the post-1948 divisions that inherited them and that correspond in general to the 1912 branches. Whenever possible, the cartographic and photographic records are discussed with the appropriate textual records, although the records themselves are filed apart from the textual records. Those nontextual records that cannot be discussed with the records of an administrative unit are described in a general section at the end of the chapter. The segregated photographic records are identified by alphabetic collection designators instead of by series titles. The designators are shown in parentheses.

RECORDS OF PREDECESSOR SURVEYS

RECORDS OF THE KING SURVEY, 1867-81

57.14 The Geological Exploration of the Fortieth Parallel was authorized by an act of March 2, 1867 (14 Stat. 457), which provided for a "geological and topographical exploration of the territory between the Rocky Mountains and the Sierra Nevada Mountains, including the route or routes of the Pacific Railroad." Although the Survey was made under the jurisdiction of the War Department, the Director, Clarence King, and his scientific assistants were civilians. The territory surveyed extended from Cheyenne, WY, to the eastern boundary of California. Primarily geological in character, the Survey also collected topographic information concerning the region. The results of the King Survey were published (1870-80) in seven volumes and an atlas as part of the Engineer Department's series of professional papers. The volumes concern Systematic Geology (vol. I), Descriptive Geology (vol. II), Mining Industry (vol. III), Paleontology and Ornithology (vol. IV), Botany (vol. V), Microscopical Petrography (vol. VI), and Odontornithes, Extinct Toothed Birds of North America (vol. VII).

57.15 The textual records of the Survey discussed below (57.16-57.18) have been reproduced as National Archives Microfilm Publication M622, *Records of the Geological Exploration of the Fortieth Parallel ("King Survey"), 1867-81* (3 rolls).

57.16 Communications, primarily from the Office of the Chief of Engineers, defining the Survey's mission and authorizing its organization and operations are among the mounted and bound **letters received**

from the Engineer and Treasury Departments, Mar. 21, 1867-Apr. 11, 1870 (1 vol., 2 in.). The letters from the Treasury Department regarding Survey finances include two departmental circulars issued in 1877 and 1878, which are bound at the front of the volume. With the exception of the circulars, the other documents in the volume are arranged chronologically. **Letters received from the Office of the Chief of Engineers, Apr. 12, 1870-May 13, 1881** (1 vol., 4 in.), also mounted and bound in chronological order, concern funding, equipment, personnel, scientific specimens, field operations, reports, and photographs. Included are a few letters from the Department of the Interior and the Royal Society of London.

57.17 The arrangements made for publishing the findings of the Survey are the topic of some of the **letters received from the Treasury Department and the Public Printer, Apr. 1, 1870-Jan. 29, 1879** (1 vol., 2 in.). Other letters relate to King's accounts as disbursing agent. The letters are arranged by office of origin and thereunder in rough chronological order. Circulars received from the Army Corps of Engineers and the Treasury Department, some dated as early as 1863, are inserted in the middle of the volume.

57.18 A copy of King's official report, dated November 27, 1872, on the "Great Diamond Hoax," an alleged discovery of diamonds in Colorado, is among the letters and reports transcribed in the **letters sent to the Chief of Army Engineers, Mar. 28, 1867-Jan. 18, 1879** (1 vol., 2 in.). These documents concern field operations, fiscal and administrative matters, and the compilation and submission of reports.

57.19 Not included in the microfilm publication of Survey records are a few notebooks of Samuel F. Emmons, who was employed by the King Survey as a geologist. These are part of an extensive series of geologists' field notebooks described in paragraphs 57.74 to 57.77.

57.20 Not all maps and photographs produced by the early surveys are among the cartographic and photographic records in Record Group 57, Records of the U.S. Geological Survey. Two atlases from the King Survey--one identified as *Atlas Accompanying Volume III on Mining Industry* and the other composed of topographic and geological maps and cross sections of the area surveyed--are among the separately maintained cartographic records in Record Group 77, Records of the Office of the Chief of Engineers.

57.21 Also in Record Group 77 are photographs taken by Timothy O'Sullivan, staff photographer for the Survey (**KN**, **KS**, **KSP**, **KSLCV**, **KW**). Some of O'Sullivan's photographs are also included in the Louisa Bellinger Collection of albumen prints (**BC**) in Record Group 79, Records of the National Park Service.

Records of the Hayden Survey, 1867-79

57.22 The Geological and Geographical Survey of the Territories, directed by Dr. Ferdinand Vandiveer Hayden, was authorized by an act of Congress March 2, 1867 (14 Stat. 470), which provided for a "geological survey of Nebraska, said survey to be prosecuted under the direction of the commissioner of the general land office." The scope of the act was later extended by authority of Congress to include all the Territories, and so work was done in Wyoming, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, and Colorado as well. Although Hayden's Survey was primarily geological, it included topography, geology, paleontology, ethnology, philology, botany, and related sciences. The results of the various parts of the Survey were published by the Department of the Interior in a variety of formats: in a multivolume series of bulletins, in annual reports, in final reports or monographs, and in general and miscellaneous publications. Unless otherwise noted, all of the records described below are reproduced in National Archives Microfilm Publication M623, *Records of the Geological and Geographical Survey of the Territories ("Hayden Survey"), 1867-79* (21 rolls).

57.23 Mounted and bound **letters received, Jan. 4, 1866-Mar. 21, 1874** (6 vols., 10 in.), chiefly concern the processing, printing, and distribution of illustrations and reports based on Hayden's western expeditions, particularly to the Yellowstone country. Other letters concern the analysis of plant and fossil specimens, theories on the composition and correlation of geologic formations, and methods of conducting topographic surveys. A few items are letters of introduction or applications to accompany expeditions. Many of the letters are personal in content. Arranged in rough chronological order, the letters are from Members of Congress; editors of professional journals, popular magazines, and newspapers; the Secretary of the Interior and other departmental officials; academic geologists and specialists in allied fields; representatives of the Smithsonian Institution and other museums, the American Geographical Society and other professional organizations, and State geological and agricultural agencies; military officers; lithographers and engravers; railway agents; private individuals; and many others.

57.24 Similar to the above series in content and origin are the unbound **letters received, 1871-79** (4 ft.), which are arranged in two alphabetical sequences by surname of correspondent or title of agency and thereunder chronologically. Included are letters concerning Indian ethnology, especially native languages, and geological and topographical work performed by the field parties. Circulars, receipts and other fiscal records, and letters from officials of the Agriculture, Interior, and Treasury Departments, the Office of Indian Affairs, and the General Land Office make up the **letters received and related records from Government agencies, 1867-79** (2 in.). These records, arranged by name of agency and thereunder chronologically, concern the printing and distribution of Survey reports and maps, exhibits for the Centennial International Exhibition held in Philadelphia, PA, in 1876, disbursement of funds, and the scope of Hayden's western surveys. Included are a few letters from private individuals that were forwarded by the Interior Department.

57.25 Mounted and bound **personal letters received, 1855-66, 1874-76** (2 vols., 5 in.), are arranged by surname of correspondent and thereunder in rough chronological order. Many of the letters, including all of those dated 1874-76, are from Fielding B. Meek. Other correspondents include J. Lea, J.L. LeConte, J. Leidy, J.S. Newberry, W.F. Raynolds, W. Stimpson, and G.K. Warren. The letters concern the collection and analysis of fossil specimens, the investigation of geologic strata, the publication of Survey reports, and Hayden's academic career and his membership in professional societies. Hayden's honorary membership in foreign professional societies is one of the subjects addressed in the **letters received from persons in foreign countries, ca. 1859-79** (2 ft.), most of which concern the exchange of professional papers. The letters are arranged alphabetically, first by name of country and thereunder by surname of correspondent. Translations are included for a few letters not written in English.

57.26 Letters received from the War Department and related records, 1867-74, 1876-77 (1 vol. and loose papers, 1 in.), consist chiefly of letters and special orders from the War Department concerning transportation, subsistence, equipment, disbursements, military escorts, publications of reports, and a proposal to establish a signal station on Pike's Peak. Also included are a few letters from the Secretary of the Interior and copies of letters sent by Hayden. The **records concerning the controversy over civilian versus military surveys and related matters, ca. 1872-78** (5 in.), provide a review of the accomplishments of the Hayden Survey, the work of other civilian surveys and military surveys, and the conflicts between the various surveys. The records consist of draft reports, letters received, circulars, congressional documents, working notes, copies of statements made before congressional committees, lists of geological and topographical reports, and petitions from universities expressing their preference for civilian rather than military control of western surveys. A few documents concern zoological specimens, the 1876 Centennial International Exhibition, and the establishment of the U.S. Entomological Commission.

57.27 Also among the records are **applications and recommendations for positions, and requests for publications, 1870-79** (5 in.), arranged alphabetically by surname of applicant or correspondent. The applications were submitted by professors, college students, surveyors, topographers, geologists, and artists; the letters of recommendation came from Members of Congress, college professors, and others.

57.28 The fiscal history of the Hayden Survey is documented by four series of records: **summary of account of F.V. Hayden with the Treasurer of the United States, 1869-80** (1 vol., 1/2 in.); **fiscal records, ca. 1872-80** (1 vol. and loose papers, 2 in.); **ledgers, 1878-80** (2 vols., 3 in.); and a **ledger kept by Dr. Albert C. Peale, 1871-74** (1 vol., 1/2 in.). Peale was a geologist with the survey, and most of the ledger is an itemized record of his personal expenses. A few pages of the volume, however, are devoted to accounts for Hayden and other individuals.

57.29 Rounding out the textual records are a few **miscellaneous letters received, 1867-79** (1/4 in.), that were inadvertently omitted from M623. These consist of letters from geologists, a mine owner, an insurance agent, Government officials, and others concerning the surveys, publications, and other subjects. A few field notebooks prepared by Henry Gannett and William Henry Holmes are filed with other such notebooks (57.74-57.77). Some **field notebooks, 1874-94** (15 vols., 8 in.), containing triangulation computations made in Colorado and some unbound ledger sheets (ca. 3 in.), apparently recording observations on distances made from various points, including Pikes Peak, Longs Peak, and Mount Evans, are held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Rocky Mountain Region, in Denver, CO.

57.30 Cartographic records consist of **published maps and manuscripts and proof copies, 1869-81**

(73 items), compiled from surveys made under Hayden's direction in parts of the Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Utah, and Wyoming Territories. Among the records are general maps showing the areas surveyed; topographic and drainage maps; maps showing primary triangulation; maps showing arable land, grasslands, forested areas, geology, and coal deposits; maps showing ancient ruins; panoramic views of selected areas; and diagrams showing geologic sections of certain parts of the areas surveyed. The maps of Colorado cover parts of adjacent Territories and are bound in atlas form. Two editions of the atlas are available, one dated 1877 and the other, 1881. The maps of the other Territories are loose. Among them are maps from surveys of the Yellowstone Park area, including geologic and topographic maps of the entire area and special maps of geyser basins.

57.31 Photographs, 1869-78 **(HS)**, taken by William H. Jackson, record images of the physical features of the land in Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, Utah, and Wyoming, particularly the Yellowstone, Grand Teton, and Bad Lands areas. Also included are pictures of Survey members and equipment, American Indians, communities, military posts, mining operations, and railroads. Albumen prints by Jackson show areas of Colorado, including Indian ruins, 1874 **(HSA)**. Drawings, 1869-72, created by Henry Wood Elliott and William Henry Holmes during the Survey illustrate land features in Montana, Utah, and Wyoming **(HAA, HAB, HAC)**. Photographs and albertypes made from negatives taken by Jackson during the Hayden Survey are also found in Record Group 77, Records of the Office of the Chief of Engineers **(H)**, and Record Group 79, Records of the National Park Service **(JAG, JAH)**.

Records of the Powell Survey, 1869-79

57.32 The survey directed by John Wesley Powell is known as the Geographical and Geological Survey of the Rocky Mountain Region, but that was the Survey's official title only from 1876 to 1879. From 1874 to 1876 its official title was the "Geological and Geographical Survey of the Territories, Second Division" (the "First Division" being the Hayden Survey). Before 1874, the Survey had no official title, although Congress, in making its annual appropriations for the project, consistently called it "The Survey of the Colorado of the West and Its Tributaries."

57.33 When Powell explored the Colorado River and its canyons in 1869, his only assistance from the Government was the authorization by a joint resolution of Congress for the Secretary of War "to issue rations for twenty-five men of the expedition engaged in the exploration of the River Colorado" (15 Stat. 253). The first direct appropriation for the Survey came in the following year; this was for $12,000, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior. Appropriations passed in 1871 and 1872 placed the Survey under the Smithsonian Institution. The 1873 appropriation was to enable Powell "to prepare his materials, and to present to Congress at its next session a report of the survey of the Colorado of the West and its tributaries" (17 Stat. 513). This represented the end of the phase of the Survey as carried out under the Smithsonian Institution. Powell's official report, *Exploration of the Colorado River of the West and Its Tributaries Explored in 1869, 1870, 1871, and 1872*, was published under the auspices of that agency in 1875.

57.34 In 1874, Powell was authorized to continue his work in Utah under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior. For administrative purposes, the Secretary attached the Powell Survey to Hayden's Geological and Geographical Survey of the Territories, as its "Second Division." The two surveys operated independently except for the general direction and coordination given by the Secretary of the Interior. The Powell Survey continued to be funded by Congress through 1879, when the appropriation was allocated for the completion of reports.

57.35 The Survey's work during the first few years was largely exploratory in character. As appropriations increased, the scope of activities was broadened to include the geography, geology, ethnology, and natural science of the region. Triangulation surveys of the entire region were run, and topographic mapping was begun. Powell, himself, became increasingly interested in the archeological remains of the region and the ethnology and social customs of the surviving Indian tribes. In 1873 he accepted a temporary commission from the Bureau of Indian Affairs to investigate Indian administration in southwest Utah and Nevada, and after 1876, he began collecting materials on Indian languages. Under his direction, the Survey published four quarto volumes entitled *Contributions to North American Ethnology*. Powell's interest in the administration of the public lands in the arid regions led to the collection of data on grass and timber lands and on the amount of land that could be reclaimed by irrigation. His subsequent report, entitled *Report on the Lands of the Arid Region of the*

United States with a more detailed account of the lands of Utah (H. Ex. Doc. 73, 45th Cong., 2d sess., Serial 1805), resulted in the appointment by Congress of a "Public Lands Commission," and later to the creation of the Powell Irrigation Survey. All of these subjects and more are reflected in the records discussed below.

57.36 The **letters received, 1869-79** (10 vols., 2 ft.), are arranged chronologically by year and thereunder alphabetically by surname or official title of correspondent. Records include post cards, circulars, legislative bills, and newspaper clippings, and in volume two, a large plat from 1874 showing areas surveyed by Hayden, Powell, and Wheeler, and the area to be surveyed by Wheeler. In addition to the subjects mentioned above, the records concern the organization and objectives of Powell's expeditions, although only a few letters refer to his early boat trips down the Colorado, and the preparation, processing, and publication of reports. Some letters from 1876 concern Survey material displayed at the Centennial International Exhibition in Philadelphia; letters from 1876 to 1879 relate to the Black Hills Survey directed by Professor Walter P. Jenney, which for administrative purposes was placed under the Survey of the Rocky Mountain Region. Some letters from these last years also concern the overlapping activities of the four surveys and efforts to work out acceptable delimitations of fields, while others relate to Powell's role in bringing about the establishment of the Geological Survey in 1879.

57.37 Most of the letters are from scientists who worked in many fields--Alexander Agassiz, Spencer F. Baird, Elliot Coues, James D. Dana, Clarence Edward Dutton, Henry Gannett, Albert Samuel Gatschet, George Gibbs, Grove Karl Gilbert, Arnold Guyot, Joseph Henry, Clarence King, Joseph Leidy, J. Peter Lesley, Othniel C. March, Fielding B. Meek, T.H. Morgan, John J. Stevenson, Alamon H. Thompson, Lester F. Ward, George Wasey, George M. Wheeler, Olin D. Wheeler, and Josiah D. Whitney, to name a few of the better known. Letters from Members of Congress, the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, and the Secretary of the Interior concern the objectives and administration of the Survey. Editors of scientific and popular magazines requested articles. Other letters came from frontiersmen and Indian agents. Many of the letters received during the last years of the Survey, when Powell was forced to spend more time in the East supervising the preparation and publication of reports, came from members of his expeditions. These include John K. Hillers, his photographer, and Thomas Moran, the painter. All of these letters have been reproduced as National Archives Microfilm Publication M156, *Letters Received by John Wesley Powell, Director of the Geographical and Geological Survey of the Rocky Mountain Region, 1869-79* (10 rolls).

57.38 Not available on microfilm are the press copies of **letters sent, Oct. 3, 1876-June 30, 1879** (4 vols., 6 in.), many of which are so faint that they are not considered suitable for publication. The letters are arranged in rough chronological order, and each volume contains a partial index to the names of the addressees. The subjects covered by the letters are the same as those of the letters received.

57.39 A few field notebooks compiled by Grove Karl Gilbert while he was working for the Powell Survey are filed with the large series of geologists' field notebooks (57.74-57.77).

57.40 Cartographic records compiled from surveys made under Powell's direction, 1875-79 (20 items), include published maps of Utah Territory showing topography, irrigable areas, and timberlands; a few manuscript maps of Utah showing topography and drainage features; and a portfolio of published maps and related records of the geological survey of the Uinta Mountains, including a topographic map, a geologic map, diagrams showing geological structure and displacement, and stereograms of the displacement. A portfolio of published maps of the Black Hills area includes a geologic map, a topographic map, and a perspective view of the area.

57.41 Photographs, 1871-78 **(PS)**, taken during the Powell Survey by E.O. Beaman, James Fennemore, and John K. Hillers of areas of Arizona, Utah, and Wyoming adjacent to the Colorado River and its tributaries, show land features, surveying equipment, Indian ruins, Indians, and Survey members. Related items are albums assembled by Maj. Joseph Wheat, a topographer employed by the Geological Survey, containing stereograph halves by Beaman, Hillers, and Fennemore showing areas along the Colorado and Green Rivers, and Utes, Paiutes, and other Indian groups who lived along the Colorado River, 1871-75 **(PR, PL, PM, PE)**. Portraits of Ma-jor Powell and his family, 1859-68, are in Record Group 79, Records of the National Park Service **(JWP)**.

Records of the Wheeler Survey, 1871-79

57.42 The primary objective of the U.S. Geographical Surveys West of the 100th Meridian was the

topographic mapping of the country for military purposes, but the scope of the work was extended to include investigations of geological, zoological, and ethnological matters. The surveys were headed by Lieutenant (later Captain) George M. Wheeler under the direction of the Chief of Engineers. Wheeler and his surveying parties mapped much of California, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, and Colorado before responsibility for such surveys was consolidated in the newly established Geological Survey of the Department of the Interior.

57.43 Although the bulk of the textual, cartographic, and photographic records for the Wheeler Survey are in Record Group 77, Records of the Office of the Chief of Engineers, some notebooks, a draft report, and ethnographic materials are included in Record Group 57. The geologic notebooks, compiled by Grove Karl Gilbert, are part of the series of geologists' field notebooks described below (57.74-57.77). The handwritten **report, ca. 1872** (2 in.), is entitled "Progress Report upon Geographical and Geological explorations and Surveys West of the 100th Meridian in 1872, under the direction of Brigadier General A.A. Humphries, Chief of Engineers, by 1st Lieutenant George M. Wheeler, Corps of Engineers in Charge." In addition to providing an analysis of the organization and progress of Wheeler's western explorations up to 1872, the report includes astronomical, geological, and natural history observations, as well as information on mining districts in Arizona, Nevada, and Utah; agriculture and irrigation; communication routes; sites for military posts; timber lands; Indians; and the canyons of the Colorado River. The **records relating to Indian ethnology and Spanish inscriptions, 1874-80** (1 in.), include reports describing Indian dances observed by Survey members at Jemez Pueblo in 1874. Two of the three drafts of this event include a sketch of a ceremonial headdress worn by participants in the dance. Also included is a list of southwestern Indian languages compiled by Survey members, from observations made during the period 1872-75. Letters discuss translations of Spanish inscriptions found on rock faces.

57.44 Glass negatives and prints photographed by Timothy O'Sullivan and William Bell (**WA**, **WB**, **WC**, **WD**, **WE**, **WF**) are in Record Group 77, Records of the Office of the Chief of Engineers. Recorded are geological formations, landscapes, and American Indians in Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, and Utah, 1871-74. Some photographs taken during the Survey (**BC**) are in Record Group 79, Records of the National Park Service, and an album of photographic prints, 1871-72 (**P**), taken by O'Sullivan and Bell, is in Record Group 287, Publications of the U.S. Government. Glass negatives, including stereographs, taken by the two photographers during the period 1871-74 are in Record Group 106, Records of the Smithsonian Institution. These show landscapes, geological formations, military posts, archaeological ruins, mining operations, Survey members, and American Indians (**WA**, **WB**).

RECORDS OF THE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

RECORDS OF THE OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

57.45 Most of the extant general records for the 19th century are available as microfilm publications. These reproduce the letters received, 1879-1901, letters sent, 1879-95, accompanying indexes and registers, and monthly reports, 1882-90.

57.46 Communications received by the Survey from its employees, the Secretary of the Interior, The General Land Office and other offices within the Department of the Interior, the Coast and Geodetic Survey, the National Museum of the Smithsonian Institution, the State, War, Navy, and Agriculture Departments, and Members of Congress are among the **letters received, 1879-1901** (54 vols. and loose papers). Also found in this series are letters from officials of State and local governments, committees of citizens, professors, scientists, representatives of institutions and societies, prospectors, manufacturers, railroad representatives, contractors, publishers, and a few citizens of other countries. These records are arranged chronologically by year and thereunder by date of receipt. The letters for each year are numbered consecutively, beginning with "1" at the start of each year. The letters for the years 1879-89 are in bound volumes; those for the remaining years, 1890-1901, are unbound. Included are annual and monthly progress reports, maps, tables, accounting records, and occasionally mineral samples and other records.

57.47 The records relate to numerous subjects including topographical and geological surveys of the United States; investigations of gold and coal resources and other geological data, particularly relating to the Western United States; investigations of water resources, including those of reservoir sites, reclamation procedures, wells, pumps, dam construction, utilization of water, underground water supplies, rain-

fall, and volume of surface streams; surveys of boundaries within forest reserves; surveys and investigations of irrigation on Indian reservations; disputes over the western boundary of the Yakima Reservation in Washington and the border of the Seminole Reservation in Indian Territory; detailed investigations begun in geology, mineralogy, chemistry, physics, topography, and economic development concerning specific mining areas, including the Comstock Lode, the Eureka District of Nevada, the Bodie District of California, and others; Survey publications; statistics on mining production and manufacturing (particularly coal and gold); paleontological and geological collections for the National Museum; barometric and astronomical stations; volcanoes, glaciers, and earthquakes; litigation; exhibits for educational institutions; National and International Expositions; papers presented before learned societies; resurveys of disputed areas; general information relating to geology, paleontology, hydrography, chemistry, petrography, topography, mineralogy, areal geology, stratigraphy, and related sciences; illustrations, including engraving, sketching, and photography; legislation; and staffing patterns and other personnel, fiscal, and administrative matters.

57.48 Dispersed throughout the letters are cross-reference sheets for letters referred elsewhere. These sheets give file number, date of record, name of writer, and name of person or place receiving the referral. Before 1891 some cross-reference sheets have the notation, "GR says filed in Case 1." Such references are to narrative monthly progress reports that were received either from the heads of field units or in some instances from individual staff members and maintained as a separate series. Some of the reports include maps or sketches of geologic features. The **monthly reports, 1882-90** (8 vols., 2 ft.), are arranged in two segments. From 1882 to 1884 they are arranged by year, thereunder alphabetically by surname of reporting official, and thereunder chronologically by date of report. The reports in the 1885-90 segment are arranged chronologically by year, thereunder by month, and thereunder primarily by administrative unit. After 1890 the reports were filed in the main series of incoming letters.

57.49 The letters received and the monthly reports are reproduced as part of National Archives Microfilm Publication M590, *Letters Received by the United States Geological Survey, 1879-1901* (rolls 3-113 and 114-118, respectively). Also reproduced in this publication (rolls 1-2) is the **index to letters received, 1880-89** (6 vols., 1 ft.), arranged chronologically by year and thereunder alphabetically by name of correspondent, office of correspondent, or subject. Entries for correspondents give the subject and file number of each letter. Entries for persons and subjects mentioned in the letters are cross-referenced to the name of the correspondent. Apparently the indexes were not maintained contemporaneously but were compiled at some later date. There is no evidence that any other indexes were compiled.

57.50 The receipt of each incoming letter was recorded in **registers of letters received, Jan. 8, 1879-Nov. 12, 1901** (25 vols., 4 ft.). Entries in these volumes are arranged in chronological order by date of receipt, with some exceptions. For each letter entered in the register, the following information was usually recorded: date of receipt and file number assigned to the incoming communication, name and address of the writer, date of the letter, a brief abstract of its contents, and reference data or notations indicating the action taken. The notations relating to action taken with regard to the incoming letters are of particular significance for the years 1895-1901 since copies of the outgoing communications of the Survey are not available for that period. The registers have been published as National Archives Microfilm Publication M157, *Registers of Letters Received by the United States Geological Survey, 1879-1901* (16 rolls).

57.51 Filed with the letters received are employment applications submitted by persons seeking positions with the Survey. An **applications register, Jan. 1879-Apr. 1886** (1 vol., 2 in.), identifies the applicant and shows place of residence, date of application, position applied for, recommendations and action taken, and the number assigned to the application. Entries in the register are arranged by year and thereunder by application number. An index to the applicants is included in the volume.

57.52 Replies to incoming letters are recorded in **letters sent, 1879-95** (35 vols., 6 ft.), which consist of chronologically arranged handwritten copies of letters to the Secretary of the Interior and other Federal officials, Members of Congress, non-Federal geologists, heads of Survey field teams, officials of railroad companies, engravers and publishers, and private individuals concerning topographic, geologic and other field work, Survey publications, appropriations and expenses, appointments and assignments of personnel, and related matters. Access to a portion of these letters is facilitated by an **index to letters sent, 1879-83** (2 vols., 4 in.), arranged chronologically by year and thereunder alphabetically either by surname or official

title of addressee or by subject. Entries show the name or official title of the addressee, followed by the subject and page number of each letter sent. Also found are some entries for subjects and persons mentioned in the letters. The letters sent and the indexes are published as National Archives Microfilm Publication M152, *Letters Sent by the United States Geological Survey, 1879-1895* (29 rolls).

57.53 Two series of correspondence files document the period between 1901 and 1913, although neither includes records for the years 1902-5. **Correspondence and related records, ca. 1906-48** (4 ft.), concern the organization and administration of the Survey, topographic and geologic mapping programs, cooperation with Federal and State agencies, coal land classification, mineral resource investigations, withdrawal of land for water power sites or other uses, Survey committees, budgets and appropriations, and personnel matters. The records consist of letters received and copies of letters sent, memorandums, reports, Survey orders and other administrative issuances, speeches, press releases, fiscal records, statistical tables, congressional bills, and maps.

57.54 Initiated in 1912, the **central classified files, 1912-53** (235 ft.), include a few documents dated as early as 1899. Arranged according to a subject-numeric filing scheme, the records concern the administration of program areas such as geological and topographical surveys, water resource investigations, particularly forest watershed surveys, and land classification; organization and management, particularly the appointment and assignment of personnel; and the processing and distribution of publications. Also included are records concerning conferences, expositions, and meetings of professional associations; cooperation with Federal and State agencies; participation of Survey, departmental, and interagency committees; public works programs; and defense related activities.

57.55 In filing the records, nine general numeric subject classifications were used: 000 General (Miscellaneous); 100 Administrative; 200 Finance and Accounts; 300 Equipment and Supplies; 400 Geology; 500 Topography; 600 Water Resources; 700 Land Classification; and 800 Publication. Each classification has numerous file headings and subheadings. The heading 020 Congressional Legislation has a subheading 024 for "Resolutions, Acts, etc., of States, Territories, etc." Relevant subheadings that cover records arranged by State are 471 Cooperation With States (Geology); 571 Cooperation With States (Topography); 640 Requests for examination and investigation; 671 Cooperation With States (Water Resources), and 771 Cooperation With States (Land Classification). Other headings of interest are 040 Congresses, Conventions, Expositions, Conferences, etc., arranged by type of event and thereunder by name of specific meeting, organization, or association; 110 Relations With Departments and Independent Offices, arranged by name of agency, such as 110.1 Smithsonian Institution, 111 Interior Department, and 118 War Department; and 140 Boards and Committees, covering 141 Departmental Committees, arranged by name, and 142 Survey Committees, arranged by name of committee and including files on organization and recommendations.

57.56 Monthly, annual, and administrative **reports, 1900-12, 1926-27, 1930** (2 ft.), are arranged by year, thereunder by type of report, and thereunder by Survey unit. Submitted to the Director of the Survey by heads of organizational units and individuals in charge of field parties, these reports provide information on the status of projects, projected work programs, personnel matters, and other subjects. Some of the reports are accompanied by lists or statistical tables.

RECORDS OF THE PUBLICATION BRANCH

Book-Publication Division

Illustrations Section

57.57 The textual records of this section consist of press copies of **letters sent by the Division of Illustrations, 1891-1904** (4 vols., 4 in.), the predecessor of the Illustrations Section, arranged chronologically, although the dates of the volumes overlap; press copies of **letters sent, July 11, 1898-July 6, 1938** (16 vols., 3 ft.), by the Section, arranged chronologically; and **records of the Committee on Illustrations, 1900-1909** (2 scrapbooks, 4 in.), a group chaired by the Chief of the Section and composed of representatives of the divisions that submitted publications for review. Most of the volumes of letters sent include subject indexes. The scrapbook covering Committee activities for the period 1904-9 contains an index to authors and subjects.

57.58 Nontextual records of the Section consist of both photographic and cartographic materials. The photographs are of geological formations and landscapes collected for use in illustrating agency publications, 1881-1941 (**ISA, ISB, ISC**). Also available

is an undated lithograph of the Black Forest, Mt. Hope, and Sierra Prieta (Colorado), made by E. Stout from a sketch by A.H. Campbell for a topographical report of the Pacific railroad survey of the 35th Parallel (**ISD**). The cartographic records of the Illustrations Section, 1874-1948 (3,580 items), consist of incomplete sets of published maps and related cross sections, graphs, drawings, photographs, diagrams, and other pictorial and graphic materials appearing in Survey publications and reports. The illustrative material is arranged by type of publication and thereunder numerically in rough chronological order. The publications and approximate dates are as follows: annual reports, 1882-1932; bulletins, 1884-1948; monographs, 1890-1915; professional papers, 1902-38; water-supply papers, 1905-48; press memorandums, 1923-25; circulars, 1933-43; and miscellaneous, ca. 1874-1923, which includes material for pre-1879 publications of the King and Wheeler Surveys. Among the records are maps pertaining to local areas in the United States, showing details of geology and topography. A number of these maps relate to coal lands and other mineral areas. Others are land-classification maps and maps of forest areas showing burned-out areas, types of trees, density of woods, and related information. Of particular interest are the records for Monograph no. 32, *Geology of the Yellowstone National Park* (1899).

57.59 Other records of the Section include manuscript compilations prepared for inclusion in the professional papers, monographs, bulletins, and water supply papers. The records are arranged in two sets, manuscript and published, both of which are arranged by the kind of publication in which they were included and thereunder by publication number.

Texts Section

57.60 The records for this Section consist of press copies of **letters sent, Oct. 29, 1887-Dec. 31, 1906** (5 vols., 7 in.), and **monthly and annual reports, Jan. 1907-Dec. 1916** (4 scrapbooks, 9 in.). Both series are arranged chronologically. The letters sent also include copies of periodic progress reports. A small quantity of **records concerning the production and distribution of the *Geologic Atlas of the United States* and other Survey publications, 1893-99** (1/2 in.), document the publication of the *Geologic Atlas* and related folios, 1893-97. A few of the documents relate to monographs and bulletins published by the Survey, 1895-99.

Records of the Geologic Branch

Records of Officials:

Records of Samuel F. Emmons, Head of the Rocky Mountain District

57.61 Emmons, an employee of the Geological Survey from 1879 to 1911, had been a geologist with the King Survey. Upon joining the Geological Survey, he was appointed to head the Rocky Mountain District, one of the four districts established by Survey Director Clarence King. **Letters received, 1880-85** (5 in.), concern geologic and topographic field work, publication of reports, compilation of statistical data on mineral resources for the Tenth Census, and the assignment of personnel. The letters are filed under the following headings: Geological Survey Headquarters, Miscellaneous, Andrew A. Blair, George F. Becker, C. Whitman Cross, Arnold Hague, Ernest Jacob, Anton Karl, Clarence King, William H. Leffingwell, John McChesney, James C. Pilling, Raphael Pumpelly, Alfred M. Rogers, Charles D. Walcott, and A.D. Wilson. Many of the letters in the miscellaneous file are from mining engineers, officials of mining companies, and academic geologists. The handwritten copies of **letters sent, Sept. 1879-Dec. 1887** (2 vols., 4 in.), signed by Emmons or Alfred M. Rogers, Disbursing Agent, concern the geologic and topographic work of the Rocky Mountain District. Many of the letters are either scientific reports or monthly narrative progress reports; others concern administrative matters. The letters are arranged chronologically, and each volume includes a partial index. Also available is a **register of letters received, 1879-87** (1 vol., 2 in.), but it documents the receipt of letters dealing primarily with administrative and support services rather than the letters discussed above. The letters covered by the register have not been found.

Records of Arnold Hague, Head of the Division of the Pacific

57.62 Like Emmons, Hague had been a geologist with the King Survey. After joining the Geological Survey in 1879, Hague was made head of the Division of the Pacific. He was with the Survey until 1917, the year of his death. His interest in the Yellowstone area resulted in the compilation of dozens of field notebooks (57.74-57.77) and the collection of many of the

documents found in his papers. The **letters received, 1880-1916** (5 in.), for example, primarily concern Yellowstone National Park, specifically topographic and geologic surveys, publications, analysis of waters from hot springs, and observations on geyser eruptions. Included are letters from the park superintendent, Army officers posted at Yellowstone, Survey and academic geologists, Smithsonian officials, and private persons commenting on articles about Yellowstone. The letters are arranged in two groups: chronologically arranged letters from the Director and Chief Clerk of the Survey (1880-1906) and letters arranged alphabetically by correspondent's surname (1882-1916).

57.63 Press copies of **letters sent, 1881-1904** (12 vols., 16 in.), to Survey officials, academic and foreign geologists, members of professional societies, publishers, conservationists, army engineers, the Secretary of the Interior, railroad company executives, mining engineers, Members of Congress, and superintendents of Yellowstone Park contain information on publications, estimated expenses, rock and mineral samples, legislation, the status of Yellowstone National Park, forest reserves, geologic nomenclature, and related matters. Some of the letters are reports on field work, but many contain personal information about Hague. The letters are arranged in two overlapping chronological segments: eight volumes dated 1881-93 and four volumes dated 1887-1904. The earliest volume contains a few letters dated 1886 and 1892. Most of the volumes contain partial indexes. Unbound **letters sent, 1904-16** (2 in.), arranged chronologically, concern publications about Yellowstone National Park, proceedings of professional societies, and related matters. **Letters sent concerning disbursements, 1886-93** (2 vols., 2 in.), consist of press copies of letters and completed forms, arranged chronologically, documenting the expenses incurred by field parties working in Yellowstone National Park. The letters are signed by Hague as special disbursing agent. Each volume includes an index.

57.64 Working papers and reference material, 1883-1915, ca. 1929 (3 ft.), consist primarily of lists of rock and fossil specimens, abstracts of geologic field notebooks, illustrations, correspondence, printed items, and other records gathered by Hague for use in compiling USGS Monograph 32, "Geology of the Yellowstone National Park." Also included are chapter outlines and handwritten and typed drafts of chapters prepared by Hague and others for Part I of the monograph. Circumstances prevented publication of Part I, but Part II was published as H. Doc. 287, 55th Congress, 3d session (Serial 3800). The records concern geologic strata, hot springs, geysers, volcanic activity, plant life, geologic nomenclature, and related matters. Some documents concern the *Geologic Atlas*. The records are arranged in the order established by a checklist that is filed with the records.

57.65 Four series of records relate almost exclusively to the Yellowstone region. The chronologically arranged **records relating to Yellowstone National Park and other matters, 1883-1915** (1 in.), include letters, memorandums, lecture notes, and other materials concerning the park, the King Survey, geographic names, and other topics. James Bridger, the mountain man and guide, for example, is the subject of one document, an 1885 memorandum that discusses his knowledge of the Yellowstone area and his participation in two of the Hayden survey parties. Typescript **abstracts from geologists' field notebooks concerning the Yellowstone region, 1883-97** (2 in.), provide information on hot springs, geysers, glaciation, drainage, rock types, and climate, including data on areas outside the present day boundaries of the national park. The abstracts are from notebooks compiled during four time periods: 1883-89, 1884-91, 1893, and 1897. Most of the notebooks from which the abstracts were made, particularly notebooks 3832-3953, as well as many related notebooks, are part of records described elsewhere (57.74-57.77).

57.66 Meteorological observations, 1885-89 (4 vols. and loose papers, 3 in.), provide temperature and barometric pressure data compiled by two Army surgeons posted at Camp Sheridan, WY, and three Survey members. Most of the data was collected at Mammoth Hot Springs in Yellowstone National Park, but an undated, unsigned report gives precipitation and evaporation data recorded for other areas in the park. The records are arranged by observers in four chronological segments (1885-86, 1885-87, 1885-89, 1888-89) and thereunder by location and date. A collection of **publications, 1869-1912** (4 in.), arranged by subject, consists of published and reprinted monographs and articles by Hague and others concerning the exploration and geology of the Yellowstone area. Also included are copies of the annual reports of the Superintendent of Yellowstone National Park (1880, 1882-83, 1885-89, 1891-92, 1894-96, 1903), and a tourist map of the park based on exploration done in 1882.

57.67 Management of the Nation's forest resources is the subject of the correspondence, memorandums, reports, legislative bills, and congressional

documents making up the **records concerning national forest policy, 1890-97** (1 in.). Many of these records concern the work of a committee appointed in 1896 by the National Academy of Sciences at the request of the Secretary of the Interior to consider and recommend a national forest policy.

57.68 Also included in Hague's official papers are undated handwritten and typed **notes on Othniel Charles Marsh** (1 in.), including memorandums and reminiscences concerning Marsh's life and career that were compiled for a biography of the noted paleontologist.

Records of Othniel C. Marsh, Vertebrate Paleontologist

57.69 Marsh, a professor of paleontology at Yale University, chaired the committee that recommended the establishment of the Geological Survey. In 1882 he joined the Survey as a vertebrate paleontologist. Ten years later the position he held was abolished, but he continued to work for the Survey without compensation until his death in 1899. The **records, 1885-99** (3/4 in.), composed of chronologically arranged letters received, copies of letters sent, memorandums, essays, copies of journal articles, and newspaper clippings, document Marsh's paleontologic field work and the importance of paleontology as a research tool when conducting geologic surveys. Some of the documents concern the controversy surrounding Marsh's decision to retain for personal use fossils he had gathered during Survey-funded field trips.

Division of Geology

General Records

57.70 Most of the records in the **general correspondence files, 1890-1922** (18 ft.), cover the period 1902-15. The files are organized by a subject-numeric filing system, using numbers ranging from 1.1 to 991.778, with frequent gaps in the numerical sequence. Within the files the documents are arranged chronologically. Many of the files concern individuals such as Walter C. Mendenhall (14), Frederick L. Ransome (489), Charles D. Wolcott (493), C. Whitman Cross (522), Samuel F. Emmons (523), Grove Karl Gilbert (549), George Otis Smith (566), C. David White (567), and Arnold Hague (916). Access to the files is facilitated by an incomplete **index, 1899-1915** (3 in.), compiled on 5- by 8-inch cards arranged alphabetically by subject; the index does not include cards for the files relating to individuals. Entries on each card are arranged chronologically or by subject and give the file number and usually the date, author, and subject of the document. Some of the documents covered by the index, such as those filed under the category "183-Examination of Public Lands, 1906-14," are not found in the files. A list of obviously relevant subject headings for which files are available is provided as Table-57.70 (pp. 52-54).

57.71 In addition to administrative, personnel, and fiscal matters, the records concern cooperation with State geological surveys; coordination of projects with other Federal agencies; contracts with private and academic geologists to conduct field work and compile map folios; composition and work of Survey geologic field parties; expositions; topographic surveys; collection of rock specimens and fossils; geologic nomenclature; petrography, paleontology, seismology, and other geologic specialties; classification of coal and asphalt lands; examination of mining claims in forest reserves; and the appearances of Survey geologists as expert witnesses on behalf of the Justice Department in litigation involving mineral lands.

57.72 The records include correspondence; reports on projects and field work; agreements between the Survey and State agencies; circulars, orders, and other administrative issuances; justifications for field work in certain regions and the preparation of maps; minutes of meetings; copies of bills and other congressional documents; field notes of mineral surveys; drafts of research papers; newspaper clippings; and photographs.

57.73 Monthly work reports, 1901-48 (21 ft.), on 5- by 8-inch cards describe the duties of Survey employees and show the percentage of time spent on each activity. Included are reports for geologists, assistant geologists, chemists, paleontologists, and special agents, among others. Some reports of field personnel include a diagram with the latitude and longitude showing the area surveyed. The cards are arranged in chronological segments and thereunder alphabetically by surname.

57.74 The Survey geologists recorded the results of their extensive field investigations in notebooks, many of them pocket size. A set of original **geologists' field notebooks and related records, 1867-1939** (ca. 1,120 vols. and unbound records, 27 ft.), is augmented by two sets of **microfiche copies of notebooks, 1871-1969** (2 ft.), the originals of which are still held by the Geological Survey. Although each

of the three sets of notebooks is arranged numerically by numbers assigned by the Geological Survey that duplicate and overlap one another, the time frames of the sets are noticeably different. Each set is a distinct and separate entity. The original notebooks consist of volumes 1 through 6056-zz, dated 1879-ca. 1939, with many undated items at the end of the series. The microfiche copies are in segments numbered 2 through 6126, dated 1891-ca. 1940, and 25 through 5616-2, chiefly covering the period 1918-69, but also including two notebooks for the period 1875-92 (see 57.76). In general, the assigned numbers bear little relationship to the chronology of the volumes, their authorship, or the district or quadrangle to which they relate, although volumes by a particular geologist or relating to a particular area sometimes will occur in sequence. Filed at the end of the unfiched items are unnumbered **notebooks received from the Bureau of Reclamation, 1892-1922** (9 vols., 8 in.), which include field notes on Pecos River meanderings, 1892; diary entries and other administrative notes on travel in Western States, 1894; and notes on triangulation sites, 1894. The remaining notebooks are dated after 1912 and concern areas in North Carolina and Puerto Rico.

57.75 Two finding aids are available to researchers using the USGS fiched and nonfiched notebooks, and a third is provided in this guide. The first lists the notebooks in numerical order and gives the names of the geologists who compiled them and the subject of each notebook. The second is a list arranged alphabetically by the surname of the geologists involved, which also provides the numbers assigned to the notebooks they compiled and a brief description of the subject of each notebook. The third finding aid, compiled for this guide and presented as Table 57.75, lists the names of the geologists who produced the pre-1913 notebooks and the geographic areas in which they worked. Entries for some geologists show that notebooks for the same State or Territory are included in both the unfiched and fiched groups, but there is no duplication of content between the two groups. Entries in the table are arranged by State or Territory, with a separate grouping for Yellowstone Park.

57.76 The books consist of notes, commonly in diary form, rough sketches, maps, and diagrams made in the course of the investigation of the general geology of various areas or in the examination of individual mines. Included are many detailed sketches of mine shafts and tunnels. The unbound items consist of loose notes or correspondence brought together in envelopes or bundles. The bulk of the records relates to such mining districts in the West as the Leadville area in Colorado; the Butte area, Montana; the Coeur d'Alene area, Idaho; the Tintic and Mercur districts, Utah; the Bisbee and Globe areas, Arizona; the Goldfield district, Nevada; and the Black Hills, South Dakota. Many of the notebooks cover work done in the Yellowstone region. Notebooks prepared by F.L. Ransome (nos. 1847, 1828, 1851) and W.J. Sinclair (nos. 1849, 1850) cover work done during the 1901 Northwest Boundary Survey. Numbers 2765 through 2776 in the first set of microfiche document work performed by Carl D. Smith and other geologists in 1908 on the Fort Peck Indian Reservation in Montana. The only pre-1913 materials in the second set of microfiche constitute numbers 31 and 32 consisting of letters and papers of George F. Becker and James D. Hague. Handwritten lectures and newspaper articles regarding Becker's scientific lectures are reproduced in number 350-E of the first set of microfiche.

57.77 A few of the original notebooks dating from the period 1867-79 relate to the activities of the predecessor surveys. These include numbers 1108 and 1109, consisting of sketches and notes prepared by S.F. Emmons during the King Survey, 1867-72, and number 1113, which includes the draft of Emmons' report on the "Diamond Frauds"; number 5243 is a descriptive catalog dated 1867, covering specimens collected in California by King, Emmons, and Hague during the King Survey. Numbers 3379 through 3383, 3389, and 3390 include Gilbert's notes for the Wheeler Survey, and 3391 through 3411 his notes on the Powell Survey. The Hayden Survey is represented by numbers 3871 and 3872, which contain Gannett's topographic notes and drawings of areas within Yellowstone Park in 1878, and numbers 3878 through 3881, containing Holmes' sketches of sites in Colorado, 1874-75, 1878, and number 3882, a book of sketches Holmes made in Yellowstone Park in 1878. Some of Hayden's work in Colorado, 1873-75, is covered by numbers 718 through 737 in the first set of microfiche (nos. 718-737, 1967-68, 1970, 1973-74).

57.78 Funds allotted to geologists and other employees are recorded in **allotment ledgers, 1902-10, 1913-19** (21 vols., 5 ft.). A typical entry shows the allotment granted at the beginning of the fiscal year, the name or title of the allottee, the date and description of the expenditure, a voucher number, and a running balance. The expenditures included salaries and office and field expenses. The primary arrangement of the entries is by fiscal year, with some years represented in more than one volume. The entries for

each year are arranged by allottee or account and thereunder chronologically. The first volume includes an alphabetical index; the accounts in the remaining volumes are arranged in rough alphabetical order.

57.79 Information about the organization and management of the Division of Geology is provided by **records relating to cooperation with the Departmental Committee on Economy and Efficiency, 1910-11** (1 in.), consisting of completed questionnaires, correspondence, memorandums, lists of employees, printed circulars, and other documents concerning the operations of the Division in 1910. The Departmental Committee channeled directives and reports between the component agencies of the Interior Department and the President's Commission on Economy and Efficiency.

Records Concerning Paleontology and Stratigraphy

57.80 The Geologic Branch was responsible for the determination of the ages of various sedimentary formations, for the classification of stratified rocks, for the correlation of the strata in different areas, and for the reference of the formations to a geologic time scale. One of the Branch employees engaged in such work was Geologist Edward O. Ulrich. His **office files, 1897-1939** (3 ft.), concern the establishment of uniformity in stratigraphic classifications and nomenclature based upon an analysis of the conclusions reached by investigations of early paleozoic formations that were conducted by Survey, State, and academic geologists. The files consist primarily of letters received and copies of letters sent, memorandums, drafts of professional papers, and minutes of meetings. Also included are drill core logs, tables of geologic formations and tentative correlations of geologic formations, sketches and annotated geologic maps, photographs, and newspaper clippings. The records are arranged alphabetically by surname or title of correspondent and thereunder in rough chronological order.

57.81 The task of ensuring uniformity in geologic classification and nomenclature in Survey publications fell to the Committee on Geologic Names, a standing committee of the Geologic Branch established following the adoption of a code of regulations for making the *Geologic Atlas of the United States*. The Committee was also to prevent unnecessary duplication of geologic names and to reduce, if possible, the number of names employed. Actions taken by the Committee included a review of existing literature and the preparation of abstracts of pertinent data, referred to as "statigraphic summaries." **Minutes of the Committee meetings, 1901-69** (16 vols. and unbound materials, 8 ft.), document considerations of the use of geologic names in such monographs as "Strata containing the Jurassic flora of Oregon," by J.S. Diller; "Mineral Deposits of the Cerbat Range, Black Mountains, & Grand Wash Cliffs, Mohave County, Arizona," by F.C. Schrader; and "Fauna of the Caney Shale of Indian Territory," by G.H. Girty. The minutes through 1931 are bound; those for the period 1932-69 are filed in folders.

57.82 Stratigraphic summaries of "outside" geologic publications (16 ft.), compiled on 6- by 8-inch cards, cover the period 1821 to 1937. Arranged alphabetically by name of State, Territory, or country and thereunder chronologically by date of publication, the cards show the name of the author, the title of the article and/or publication, the volume and page numbers, the date, the names of the geologic formations involved, and a description of their characteristics. Geologic tables and correlation charts, as well as a few oversize maps and tables, are interspersed. Most of the summaries are from writings produced by State geological surveys and from professional and scientific journals. Some entries are from Survey bulletins, professional papers, and other publications. These summaries were used as the basis for correlation charts.

57.83 A second set of summaries was used by the Committee in the compilation of *The Lexicon of the Geologic Names of the United States including Alaska* (USGS Bulletin 896, 1938). The **stratigraphic summaries of geologic literature** (15 ft.), are arranged alphabetically by State and thereunder numerically by geographic area. For most States, a map is included on which areas are numbered to correspond to the numbers on the summaries. The summaries, on 4- by 6-inch cards, generally cover writings dating from 1894 to 1937, with a few as recent as 1940. The data recorded include the title of the paper, publication, or other source, the name of the author, the date of publication, and information concerning the geologic names listed. With the summaries are some maps, geologic tables, and correspondence. Much of the information contained in the summaries does not appear in the published *Lexicon*.

57.84 Also among the records of the Division is a collection of handwritten and typed **manuscript reports and other records relating to geologic investigations, ca. 1904-52** (6 ft.). Annotated geologic and topographic maps, notes on field trips, letters, and ad-

ministrative issuances are interspersed. Although most of the records relate to the Eastern United States, a few reports and related documents concern Western States. Nearly all of these items originated after 1912, but they are mentioned here because the nature of the information they contain transcends time frames. Included are reports on the Eureka District in Nevada, the Arbuckle Mountain and Black Knob Ridge regions in Oklahoma, and the Metaline Falls area in Washington, plus a list of fossils in northern Arkansas. Report titles include "The Faunal Correlation of the Ellenburger Limestone of Texas"; "The Correlation of the Upper Cambrian Sections of Missouri and Texas with the Section in the Upper Mississippi Valley"; and the "Geology and Possible Oil Resources of the San Juan Basin and Adjoining Territory in Colorado, Utah, Arizona, and New Mexico." The records are arranged by subject.

Records Concerning Areal Geology

57.85 The geologists doing work in areal geology were responsible for producing folios of the *Geologic Atlas* and for preparing scientific and educational descriptions of the general geology of the regions studied. A small quantity of **general records, 1907-12** (5 in.), consisting of letters, memorandums, progress and technical reports, statistical summaries, and handwritten notes, document the work of the sections of eastern areal geology (including Arkansas and Oklahoma) and western areal geology (covering the region west of the one hundredth meridian). In addition to providing information about the production and publication of the folios, the records contain information concerning Survey cooperation with the War Department and the Forest Service.

Records Concerning Metalliferous Deposits

57.86 Associate Geologist Gerald F. Loughlin was one of twenty or more geologists who studied metalliferous deposits and mines and investigated the conditions and methods of ore deposition. After conducting reconnaissance geologic examinations and making complete detailed areal surveys of quadrangles having substantial metalliferous deposits, the geologists produced folios, which were then inspected and approved by areal geologists prior to publication. Loughlin's records **concerning mining geology in Leadville, CO, and other areas, 1901-23** (5 in.), consist of handwritten notes, letters, memorandums, reports, diagrams, plats, photographs of rock specimens, and other records concerning coal and other mines in the vicinity of Leadville. Also available are 40 glass microscope plates of **mineral specimens found in Grants Pass quadrangle, Oregon** (5 in.), in 1908 by J.S. Diller.

57.87 The **general administrative and correspondence files, 1909-53** (12 ft.), of the section of metalliferous deposits and its successors are arranged according to a decimal classification scheme, with numbers ranging from 000 to 624.1. The relatively few categories that include pre-1913 materials are listed below:

052	Monthly Reports (1911-42)
150	Personnel Records (1910-46)
220	Plans, Estimates, Allotments (1911-35)
312	Manuscripts Submitted for Survey Publication (1910-42)
316	Outside Publications and Lectures (1910-32)
400.1	Cooperation with the Forest Service (1909-45)
409	Cooperation - Bureau of Mines Projects (1911-14)
414.66	Conservation Branch, Land Classification (1911-53)
510.1	Investigations in Arizona (1906-51)
520	California cooperation, general (1910-52)
520.6	Shasta County, CA (1909-47)
550.9	Butte, MT - Sulphides - F.B. Laney (1911-21)
560.6	Illipah, NV - C.W. Henderson (1912-13)
580.30	Suggestions for Geologic Work - Oregon (1910-41)
590.3	Alumite deposits near Marysvale, UT (1912-42)

The records include letters, memorandums, periodic program status reports, telegrams, budget allocation forms and other fiscal records, departmental circulars, Survey orders and other administrative issuances, project summaries, minutes of meetings, informational releases, drafts of professional papers, reports on mineral resources by non-Government organizations, and maps, charts, and photographs,.

Division of Mineral Resources

57.88 Two series of records provide information about the commercial use of mineral waters in the

United States. During the period 1899 to 1901, the Division conducted a survey of the owners of various mineral springs, and the **records concerning a survey of mineral waters, 1890-1904** (3 in.), consist primarily of completed survey questionnaires with a few letters and reports. Data collected included the name of the spring and its owner, the location of the spring, the estimated number of gallons of spring water sold in 1899, and the spring's status as a resort. The correspondence and reports concern chemical analyses of particular springs. The questionnaires cover springs located in California, Colorado, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, and Washington. Springs in Arkansas, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming are covered by the **records concerning mineral waters in the United States, 1895-1924, 1930** (8 in.), a series consisting chiefly of pamphlets, brochures, and broadsides advertising mineral spring water and resort springs. Some of these publications, which are arranged alphabetically by name of State, include chemical analyses of the waters. Two folders of general materials include correspondence, reports on the chemical contents of spring waters, reprints of articles on mineral springs and resorts, and a Department of Agriculture list of mineral springs in the United States in 1906, which includes entries for springs located in Arkansas, Indian Territory, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Texas.

57.89 The cartographic records of the Geologic Branch and its successor, the Geologic Division, consist of manuscript and annotated maps, published maps, and other documents, 1872-1984 (11,217 items). The manuscript and annotated maps, arranged in series by subject, include maps prepared by or under the direction of Arnold Hague, showing geology and related information about areas in the Northwestern United States, primarily in the Yellowstone Park area, ca. 1883-1904 (100 items); maps of mining districts, chiefly at Leadville, CO, ca. 1885 (80 items), showing mine shafts, mine depths, and geologic structure; and maps and graphs, including film negatives of maps, prepared during a strategic mineral investigation of the Bauxite, AR, area, showing geologic structure, ore grades, mines, drill holes, and potential drill holes. The latter series also includes planetable sheets and diagrams of ore bodies.

57.90 The published maps, arranged in series by kind of map, include geologic folios from the *Geologic Atlas of the United States*, 1894-1929 (3,400 items), showing selected areas of the United States with accompanying descriptive text and maps depicting general geology, economic geology and topography, and structural diagrams. For example, Geologic Folio 156, issued during fiscal year 1908, concerns the Elk Point quadrangle, an area of about 878 square miles in the Missouri Valley in South Dakota, and consists of 8 folio pages of text and 3 maps. Other series consist of State maps showing the geological map coverage by the Federal and State Governments and by private individuals; geological quadrangles including cross sections of geological formations, with descriptive text; and special maps of States, parts of States, military reservations, and other select areas showing surface formations. Maps of the Missouri River Basin show mineral resources and development of the river.

Records of the Topographic Branch

57.91 The topographic units of the Survey are responsible for the systematic mapping of the United States and its Territories and possessions and for special topographic maps. These units produce topographic survey maps designed to show the shape and form of the land surface, the elevation above sea level, the course and fall of streams, and the location of important natural and fabricated features.

57.92 Most of the textual records relating to the topographic activities of the Survey are arranged in two large, chronologically overlapping series of general files. Most of the records in the earliest series, the **general administrative files, 1879-1948** (60 ft.), date from the early 1900's, but a few 19th-century documents were inserted in the file. Consequently, there are records relating to mapping symbols dated as early as 1879 and documents concerning fiscal matters dating from 1896. These files are organized by a subject-numeric filing system using numbers from 1 to 810. Records relating to some subjects were filed under more than one number. As an example, files concerning the Treasury Department are filed under numbers 131 and 176. Relevant file headings and dates of coverage are given in Table-57.92. The records document the functions and programs of the Branch, particularly mapping programs undertaken in cooperation with municipalities, counties, States, Federal agencies, interdepartmental committees, and other Survey units; development of systematic mapping symbols and uniform scales for government maps; and adoption of photogrammetric techniques and advanced map-making processes. Many of the early records

concern Survey cooperation with the States. Included in the series are letters, annual reports, and project and field inspection reports; memorandums; minutes of meetings; State and Federal legislative bills and related documents; circulars, Survey orders and other processed issuances; allotment tables, financial statements and other fiscal records; plats and maps; lists of employees; and newspaper clippings.

57.93 The second series, the **central classified files, 1889-59** (147 ft.) is arranged according to a modification of the subject-numeric filing scheme adopted by the Office of the Director in 1912 (see 57.55). The files are divided into two overlapping chronological segments, ca. 1889-53 (59 ft.) and 1947-59 (88 ft.). Most of the records in the first segment cover the period 1947 to 1953. Nearly all of the pre-1947 documents concern agreements with State agencies and are filed by name of State under the subheading "571, Cooperation with States." Pre-1913 materials found under that subheading include the files listed below:

California, agreements (1903-52)
California, reports, acts, cooperation (1900-47)
California, Department of Engineering (1908-36)
Idaho, acts and agreements (1912-25)
Iowa, acts and agreements (1906-52)
Iowa, reports (1911-52)
Louisiana (1904-53)
Louisiana, acts and agreements (1903-51)
Minnesota, acts and agreements (1909-52)
Minnesota, State Geological Survey; State Drainage Engineer (1910-53)
Missouri, acts and agreements (1907-52)
Nebraska, acts and agreements (1911-16)
Oklahoma, acts and agreements (1905-48)
Oregon, acts and agreements (1905-32)
Washington, acts and agreements (1909-51)
Washington (1911-53)

57.94 A series of records inherited by the Branch from one of its predecessors consists of **fiscal records concerning field expenses of the Geographic Division, 1887-88** (6 in.), arranged chronologically and thereunder by type of document. Compiled by James C. Pilling, Special Disbursing Agent, the vouchers, abstracts of disbursements, and other related records concern salaries, transportation, lodging, equipment, and expenses of field parties chiefly in California. A Branch **reference file, 1908-1942** (10 in.), consisting of typescript, processed, and printed copies of articles, reports, and professional papers, also includes correspondence, minutes of meetings, newsletters, biographies of prominent topographers, congressional documents, and other records concerning mapping programs in the United States and other countries.

57.95 Also among the records are **triangulation record books, 1882-1906** (17 vols., 2 ft.), compiled from field notes and other primary sources. The entries include the geodetic location of triangulation stations, primary triangulation and primary traverse computations, and other observations. The first 11 volumes are arranged by subject or geographic area, including New Mexico, Meridian Lines, Indian Territory (2 vols.), Montana, Black Hills, and Rocky Mountains and Pacific. The "Meridian Lines" volume includes a few line drawings showing the location of the stations and ground marks, relative to nearby structures and natural features, that control the meridian line. The remaining six volumes, which have nationwide coverage, are arranged by assigned number. Each volume has an alphabetical index to triangulation stations.

57.96 Some original **topographers' field notebooks, 1882-1948** (4,558 vols., 145 ft.), are held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Central Plains Region, in Kansas City, MO; microfilm reproductions of these notebooks are described below (57.99). These notebooks were accessioned from the Survey's regional office in Rolla, MO, which is responsible for collecting and compiling survey data necessary to prepare topographic and other types of maps. The notebooks were created during systematic surveys of public and private land located in some States east of the Mississippi River but also in Arkansas, Dakota Territory, Indian Territory, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Oklahoma Territory, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota. Records of surveys conducted in adjacent States, including Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Texas, and Wyoming appear in some of the earlier volumes.

57.97 The notebooks are arranged numerically by volume number within roughly chronological subseries. Within each subseries, the volumes are numbered consecutively from 1 through 9999, with extensive gaps. The first subseries covers field notes compiled between 1882 and 1907, with some volumes containing revisions entered as late as 1942. The second subseries, prefixed with the letter "A," covers notebooks dated 1902 through 1919, with some volumes dated as early as 1893 and others as late as 1931. The third subseries, prefixed with the letter

"B," includes notes of surveys conducted between 1917 and 1939, with occasional volumes dated as early as 1912. Notebook numbers generally were assigned at random, with portions of the same survey often appearing in nonconsecutive volumes. Some volumes were renumbered, resulting in occasional duplication of numbers and deviations from the general chronological sequence. A comprehensive index to the notebooks identifies the volume number, the State or Territory in which the survey was conducted, the area or quadrangle of the survey, the nature of the data recorded, the name of the surveyor or chief of the party, and the date of the survey. Only about 30 percent of the volume numbers are present within the series.

57.98 The notebooks contain field data and office computations relating to triangulation, transit traverse, and leveling and occasionally contain observations of weather conditions, narrative descriptions of terrain features, sketch maps and line drawings, annotated township plats, published and manuscript autographic materials, and correspondence, chiefly with officers of the Corps of Engineers, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and General Land Office. Also contained in some of the notebooks in the 4000 number sequence are astronomical observations conducted by Samuel S. Gannett and others at the Washington University Observatory in St. Louis, MO, between 1882 and 1892 in support of field surveys in Arizona Territory and Washington.

57.99 Reproductions of the notebooks in the custody of the National Archives and Records Administration--Central Plains Region are among the 35 mm and 16 mm negative **microfilm copies of topographic survey field and office computation notebooks, 1882-1970** (3,750 rolls, 100 ft.), accessioned from the Survey's central office and filed with the segregated cartographic records of the Topographic Division. The pre-1913 materials are dispersed throughout 3,700 rolls of 35 mm microfilm, arranged numerically by microfilm roll number from 1 to 3658, with gaps and additional numbers containing A and B suffixes. Five roll numbers (3594-3598) were used twice. Several notebooks, not necessarily concerning the same area or recorded by the same surveyor, are reproduced on each roll of microfilm. The notebooks form a rough chronological pattern and are numbered in several alpha-numeric sequences within the microfilm numbering sequence.

57.100 Roll 3598 contains a "Chronological List of Field Notebooks and Office Computation Books for Triangulation, Transit Traverse, and Leveling from 1882," which identifies the notebooks reproduced on rolls 1-1988. The list covers the period 1882-1947 and shows for each notebook the microfilm roll number, book number, State, type of survey, observer, and year. No list has been found for microfilm rolls 1989-3658. The most comprehensive control records and finding aids are being retained by the Geological Survey and are available through the agency's National Geographic Information Center. By using these finding aids, the notebooks can be retrieved by geographic area and sometimes by the name of the surveyor. The notebooks contain field data and office computations relating to triangulation, transit, and leveling that were compiled during systematic surveys in almost all States of the United States. The quality of the microfilm is uneven, and some of the images are out of focus.

57.101 The general cartographic records of the Topographic Branch and its successor, the Topographic Division, include publications relating to methods of surveying and mapping, a glossary of names for topographic forms, a chart of symbols used on topographic maps, a chart showing standard forms of type for use on maps, and a model for a published quadrangle. Index maps of the United States and of individual States list special maps published by the Survey and show the availability of published topographic quadrangle sheets and the agency of origin for each sheet, including the Corps of Engineers (the Survey cooperated with other agencies in making the survey, and in some instances published the maps they compiled). These index maps are published periodically as new maps are completed.

57.102 Manuscript cartographic records of the Topographic Division include series of maps of the United States showing drainage and culture, and base maps of States showing drainage and topography; manuscript quadrangles covering California, surveyed in cooperation with the State of California; and shaded relief maps of States, national parks and monuments, and cities. Original drawings showing details of topography, drainage, culture, and boundaries were produced during topographic surveys and resurveys of quadrangles, national parks, forests, forest reserves, mining districts and areas, battlefields, military reservations and monuments, rivers, lakes, reservoirs and dam sites, urban areas, and other special areas. Within series, the maps are generally arranged by State or name of sheet. Some original planetable control sheets showing triangulation stations are arranged by numbers assigned in the agency. A card index lists the original manuscript topographic quadrangles alpha-

betically by name of sheet. These are also located on State index maps.

57.103 Series of published maps cover the United States and its Territories and possessions. Many of these maps are published versions of the manuscript maps described above. Among the records are maps of individual States, including base maps showing drainage and political boundaries and maps showing topography, urbanized areas, highways, population, and Federal and State lands; and maps of national parks, forests, battlefields, reservoir and dam sites, mining areas and districts, rivers and lakes, military reservations, monuments, and metropolitan areas. Most numerous are the published topographic quadrangles issued at scales ranging from 1:24,000 to 1:250,000, covering many areas of the United States from the beginning of the 20th century. Missing from these series are a few editions and revisions, particularly for the period before 1950. These records are arranged in series by kind of map or area and thereunder by sheet name. Special items include Robert Hill's *Physical Geography of the Texas Region*, a portfolio of maps with descriptive text, published in 1900.

Records of the Water Resources Branch and its Predecessors

The Powell Irrigation Survey

57.104 When Powell organized the Irrigation Survey in 1889, he divided the work between two divisions. The first division, the Topographic Survey, headed by A.H. Thompson, was to prepare maps showing those lands best suited for irrigation as well as possible reservoir and canal sites. The second division, the Hydraulic Survey, directed by Chief Engineer Capt. Clarence E. Dutton, was divided between the Hydrographic Survey, which was to measure water supply, and the Engineering Branch, which was to locate and design the necessary irrigation structures.

57.105 The three functions of the Survey were carried on almost completely independently of each other. Topographic survey parties worked in New Mexico, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, and the Lake Tahoe region of California and Nevada. Hydrographic measurements were taken of rivers and drainage basins in Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Colorado, California, Nevada, New Mexico, and Texas. Engineering work was divided among several divisions: the Montana Division; the Arkansas Division, covering sites in the Arkansas River Basin in Colorado; the California Division; the Lahontan Division, covering mainly the streams flowing from California into Nevada; the Utah Division; and the Snake River Division, covering sites in Idaho and Wyoming.

57.106 Two series of records derive from the Irrigation Survey. Letters from climatologist George E. Curtis and hydrographers H.M. Dyar and Robert Robertson make up the bulk of the **records concerning field operations, 1889-90** (3 in.). The Curtis letters, which are addressed to Frederick H. Newell, assistant engineer, concern precipitation studies and include a statistical summary of annual precipitation rates in Colorado, 1884-1889; the Dyar letters, addressed to Newell, Dutton, and others, include a report on stream gaging in the Rio Grande division as well as copies of Newell's replies; the Robertson letters and reports, concerning irrigation studies in the Utah and Arkansas divisions, are addressed to Dutton and include "A Report on Fieldwork in Bear River Valley, 1889," which is illustrated with a sketch map of portions of Idaho and Utah showing the Cache Valley. Also part of this series is Newell's progress report on hydrographic work completed in June 1890 in Colorado, Montana, New Mexico, and Texas, and a typewritten copy of an article written by Powell stating his opinions regarding irrigation and analyzing events during the period 1867 to approximately 1890 that influenced the development of U.S. water policy. The second series consists of **disbursement ledgers, Nov. 1888-Dec. 1889** (2 vols., 1 in.), showing expenditures under the following disbursement classifications: instruments, services, supplies, subsistence, field expenses, travel, hired transportation, bonded railroads, and stock.

Hydrographic Units

57.107 After the Irrigation Survey was terminated in 1890, hydrographic work was carried on in a limited fashion by the Topographic Branch under Newell's general guidance. In 1894 Congress authorized the first specific appropriation for stream gaging, and a Division of Hydrography was established within the Topographic Branch. In 1895 the Division was transferred to the Geologic Branch, where it remained until 1902. Documents for this period include a collection of reports and fiscal records.

57.108 Reports on irrigation, 1893-98 (5 in.), arranged by author's name and thereunder chronologically, relate to studies conducted in Oregon and Idaho in 1893 and in Nebraska from 1894 to 1898.

Charles P. Ross and O.V.P. Stout prepared the Nebraska reports; William P. Trowbridge submitted the reports on Oregon and Idaho. Entries in the **journals of expenditures of the Division of Hydrography, Aug. 1894-May 1899** (4 vols., 2 in.), are arranged for the most part chronologically. Those for the period August to December 1894 also show the State and Territory where the funds were expended.

57.109 When the 1902 Newlands Reclamation Act authorized the establishment of the Reclamation Service, the Division of Hydrography was upgraded to become the Hydrographic Branch, ranking equally with the Geologic and Topographic Branches. The new Branch was divided into the Division of Hydrography, which carried on stream gaging; the Division of Hydrology, which studied the occurrence of ground water; the Division of Hydro-Economics, which examined the quality of water in its relation to agriculture and industry; and finally the Reclamation Service, which selected and constructed irrigation projects in accordance with the Reclamation Act. After the Reclamation Service was made an independent agency in early 1907, the Branch was renamed the Water Resources Branch to reflect more accurately the character of the work performed.

57.110 Most of the records for the period 1902 to 1906 concern Branch expenditures, with one series documenting some disbursements for the Branch's predecessor, the Division of Hydrography, Geologic Branch. Entries in the **journals of expenses, May 1897-Feb. 1904** (7 vols., 7 in.), are arranged chronologically for the most part, with those for a few disbursements arranged by subject. After April 1, 1901, voucher and ledger numbers usually are excluded and the volume title changes to "Gaging Streams." The volume for the period March 23, 1903, to February 23, 1904, includes a list of staff members of the Eastern Section, Division of Hydrology, identifying employees in Arkansas, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota, and Missouri. An **operations ledger, July 1901-July 1905** (1 vol., 1 in.), relates to expenses incurred in the examination of forest reserves and the revenues obtained from the sale of town lots in Oklahoma Territory. Entries are arranged primarily by State, but separate sections list Office of Indian Affairs and forest-related expenses. The forestry section includes a memorandum outlining the duties and authorizations of field officials participating in forestry examinations and a 1903 letter regarding the condition of the account for the examination of forest reserves. Entries in a **disbursement ledger, July 1903-Feb. 1905** (1 vol., 2 in.), documenting the administrative expenditures of the Hydrographic Branch, are arranged by State, administrative unit of the Branch, or name of payee and thereunder chronologically. The volume includes an alphabetical index.

57.111 An incomplete alphabetical name index is included in a **ledger of stream gaging expenses, July 1902-Dec. 1903** (1 vol., 2 in.). Entries are arranged by name of payee or subject and thereunder chronologically. Stream gaging expenses for fiscal years 1905 and 1906 are documented in a **disbursement ledger, July 1904-June 1906** (2 vols., 3 in.). Entries in these ledgers are arranged by payee, State, administrative unit, or region and thereunder chronologically. Each volume includes an alphabetical index. Volume I includes a list summarizing allotments and expenditures for the States, regions, and offices. Also included in this series is a letter of August 17, 1905, from G.K. Gilbert to Newell, enclosing a list of expenses.

57.112 Three reports and related documents constitute the series of **manuscript reports, 1904-6** (10 in.): "Hydrography of the Colorado River Drainage Basin (to the End of 1904)," by E.C. Murphy; "Percolation and Evaporation," by Robert E. Horton (ca. 1905); and "Report on Hydrographic Investigations in the Sacramento Basin, California," by S.G. Bennett (ca. 1906). The manuscripts include statistical summaries and plats. Some correspondence and a memorandum containing recommendations and editorial remarks relating to the Horton report are also included.

57.113 The segregated cartographic records (19 items) of the Hydrographic Branch consist of manuscript maps from a survey of a canal line through the Uinta Indian Reservation, Utah, conducted by a Geological Survey reclamation hydrographer in 1900, and a blueline map of Caddo County, Oklahoma Territory, showing school and Indian land reserves and existing and proposed bridges, 1903.

57.114 One series of records encompassing the entire period between the demise of the Powell Irrigation Survey and the establishment of the Water Resources Branch is held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Pacific Region (Laguna Niguel), CA. **Hydrographic survey sheets, 1891-1906** (7 in.), were sent to California landowners to obtain information concerning artesian wells located on their lands. The replies varied from very brief responses to detailed descriptions of wells and information on water quality and use. Among the landowners who participated in the survey were prominent

19th-century Californians such as J.W. Bixby, A.B. Chapman, and William McFadden. The sheets are arranged alphabetically by county, Alpine through Yuba.

The Water Resources Branch

57.115 The Branch included three divisions--surface water, ground water, and water utilization--with each division subdivided into sections that conducted the field work. The title of the chief of the Branch was changed from chief hydrographer to chief hydraulic engineer, a more accurate reflection of the qualifications for and duties of the position.

57.116 Two series of records maintained by the Water Resources Branch incorporated files created by the Hydrographic Branch. The first, the **general files of the reports section, 1889-1963** (9 ft.), contains both administrative records and technical data relating to the reports and publications of the Branch. Most of the records relate to surface water, although other types of water studies are represented. Included is information on stream gaging procedures, measurements, and equipment; accuracy of discharge and runoff records; available water resources and power in the United States; water resources investigations in various States; the compilation of data for reports; and the publication of water-supply papers and division reports. The records are arranged according to a numerical system, with numbers ranging from 1800-6011, and a file title list is available to researchers. The file numbers and titles of some of the obviously relevant files are given below:

1801 Allotments and appropriations, 1889-1908; 1935
Roster of employees, 1905
Essay on water resources investigations of urvey and Division of Hydrology, undated

1802 Data re streams of San Diego and Riverside Counties, California, 1906

1806 Methods of obtaining flood discharges, 1906

1808 "Hydrographic Gazetteer Memoranda" for waterways in Minnesota, South Dakota, and Iowa, undated

1830 Elevations and distances along Mississippi River, undated

1832 Minnesota River, 1906

1844 Report: "Discharge Measurements, Hydraulic Turbine Tests, U.S.R.S. Minidoka Project, Idaho," by E.C. LaRue, 1911 (photos)

1966 Newspaper clippings and a list of "popular" articles on conservation, 1908-10

1993 Sketch map showing the Platt National Park and the townsite of Sulphur, Indian Territory, undated

2073 "Number of Water Powers by States and Territories, 1908"
Estimate of Stream Flow and Water Power in the United States, 1908

2183 Mississippi and Ohio Rivers, flood and misc. data, 1895-1918; 1927

2184 Acts passed by Congress authorizing the construction of dams on navigable rivers for power purposes, 1896-1906

2185 Map: Distribution of Underground Waters in the San Joaquin Valley, California, 1905

2195 Comparisons of stations on Umpqua River, Oregon, undated

2199 Comparisons of stations in Yakima Valley, Washington, 1909
Hydrographic Chart of Yakima Watershed, 1909

2729 Red Rock River, near Monida, Montana, 1911-12

2822 "List of River Stations for Reports," Washington and Oregon, undated
Data for 1908 progress report, Washington and Oregon, 1909

2862 Accuracy of discharge measurements made on Snake River at Neeley, ID, in 1910

3091 Reports, progress, and others, 1907-8

3218 Squaw Creek near Goldendale, WA, 1912-13

3340 Missouri River at Hermann, MO, special computations, 1898-1928

Many files for the 1907-12 period relate to the publication of various water-supply papers; these are not listed above.

57.117 The second series containing pre-1907 materials consists of **records concerning cooperation with State and Territorial governments, 1903-30** (6 ft.), in the investigation of water resources. Included is information about various cooperative projects, reimbursements, transfer of funds and sharing costs, allotments and estimates, and the assignments of local officials and Branch employees. The records are arranged alphabetically by State or Territory and thereunder chronologically or by subject. The file for California includes documents relating to the construction

of a reservoir in the Hetch Hetchy Valley to store water for San Francisco. No files were found for New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, or South Dakota.

57.118 The **general correspondence files, 1907-53** (20 ft.), document the administration, policies, programs, and operations of the Water Resources Branch, later the Water Resources Division. Included are letters received, copies of letters sent, reports, memorandums, procedural issuances, bulletins, circulars, copies of contracts, copies of court decisions, legislation, press releases, newspaper clippings, articles, publications, pamphlets, statistical summaries, graphs, charts, plats, and other records. The records show the degree of cooperation of the Branch with other units of the Geological Survey; other Federal agencies, especially the Office of Indian Affairs, the Fish and Wildlife Service, the Forest Service, the Bureau of Reclamation, the War Department, the Weather Bureau, and the National Park Service; State and municipal governments; and independent organizations.

57.119 Letters and memorandums relating to personnel matters such as appointments, leave, transfers, military service, recommendations, and retirement make up the **correspondence relating to district engineers and other Branch employees, 1908-57** (31 ft.). Arranged alphabetically by surname, these files appear to have been maintained as an informal personnel file and include circulars, investigative reports, conference papers, publications, newspaper clippings, copies of legislation, statistical charts, plats, diagrams, and other records relating to Branch programs and cooperation with States and other Federal agencies. Files for the individuals listed below contain information about the topics shown:

1. G. Clyde Baldwin (gaging stations in Idaho, 1911)
2. Robert Follansbee (swamp land investigations in Arkansas, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, and Texas, 1909, and stream gaging, chiefly in Nebraska and Wyoming, 1912)
3. Warren E. Hall (discharges of tributaries of the Mississippi River located in the State of Mississippi, 1910)
4. Fred F. Henshaw (stream gaging, "Columbia River District," and a report by G.L. Parker on the Skykomish and Wenatchee River drainage basins, 1911)
5. William G. Hoyt (stream gaging, Minnesota, 1911)
6. William A. Lamb (international gaging stations along the tributaries of the Milk River in Montana, 1911)
7. Eugene C. LaRue (water utilization work in Western States, including the Colorado River, and cooperation with the Indian Service of the Office of Indian Affairs, 1912; files include draft reports of work for the Land Classification Board)
8. Harry D. McGlashan (Yosemite National Park, 1911)
9. E.A. Porter (runoff data for the Humboldt River drainage area in Nevada)

The file for Ralf R. Woolley includes a report (39 pp.) prepared about 1927 that is particularly interesting for the background information it contains. Titled "The Utilization of the Boundary Water of Northern Minnesota," the report was compiled for the Electric Bond & Share Company by H.N. Sullivan, a consulting engineer, Los Angeles, CA.

57.120 A set of **field notebooks and maps concerning drainage areas in the United States, ca. 1908-44** (30 vols., 10 in.), is arranged by drainage area and thereunder by subject or type of data when appropriate. Only the first nine volumes pre-date 1913, and they concern a study of runoff and horsepower in the United States prepared for the National Conservation Commission and published in Water-Supply Paper 234, *Papers on the Conservation of Water Resources* (1909). Also among the records of the Branch is a set of **annotated "Summaries of the Climatological Data for the United States by Sections," ca. 1909** (5 in.), published by the Weather Bureau. Arranged by geographical sections of the United States, the summaries include narrative reports and tables as well as maps annotated by Henry Gannett to show annual average rainfall in inches.

57.121 Expenditures on stream gaging activities are documented by **disbursement ledgers for stream gaging appropriations, July 1907-June 1910** (3 vols., 5 in.). Entries are arranged by appropriation account and thereunder chronologically. The accounts cover river measurements, ground water and debris investigations, and cooperative work with the States and with the Office of Indian Affairs for work on the Moqui and Navajo Reservations. Each volume covers a fiscal year. Volumes II and III both include indexes arranged alphabetically by subject, State, district, and agency. Volume III also includes loose pages appended to the ledger pages, showing estimated expenditures

for fiscal year 1911. Additional expenses are documented in **appropriation ledgers** covering July 1907 to June 1908 (1 vol., 2 in.) and July 1911 to September 1912 (1 vol., 2 in.). The 1907-8 ledger includes an index arranged alphabetically by subject, State, and agency; the 1911-12 ledger includes two letters regarding the transfer of vouchers and the expenditures of the Deschutes River investigation.

57.122 Among the segregated cartographic records of the Water Resources Division, 1911-86, are published maps of the United States showing district boundaries and field offices of the Division and areas covered by annual reports on surface water supplies. A photoprocessed map of the San Luis Valley, Colorado, shows water-table contours.

Records of the Conservation Branch

57.123 The Land-classification Board (the hyphen was later dropped) was established in 1908 to assist in the administration and utilization of the public domain. Originally a section of the Geologic Branch, the Board received full branch status in 1912, although it continued to be known as the Land Classification Board. Its duties involved classifying public lands into types recognized by public land laws, promulgating classifications in the form of recommendations for withdrawals or restorations where appropriate, and corresponding with other Government offices such as the Office of Indian Affairs and the General Land Office regarding classifications of individual tracts. In 1925 the oil-leasing organization and the mineral-leasing division of the Bureau of Mines were transferred to the Geological Survey and combined with the Land Classification Board to form the Conservation Branch. The Branch's field of work was coextensive with the public domain of the United States, including Alaska, and with the principal mineral-producing Indian reservations, its duties including the classification of lands according to their highest use; the protection of the public interest in undeveloped mineral water-power, and agricultural resources; and the promotion of economical and efficient development of mineral deposits on public and Indian lands. Additional records concerning land classifications are found among the central classified files in Record Group 48, Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, and the records of Division "N" of the General Land Office in Record Group 49, Records of the Bureau of Land Management. The Conservation Branch became the Conservation Division in 1949.

57.124 Some of the earliest records of the Conservation Branch are held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Southwest Region, in Fort Worth, TX, and consist of **case files on mining in segregated Choctaw-Chickasaw land, 1899-1944** (4 ft.), from the office of the district mining engineer at McAlester, OK. Arranged alphabetically by name of company or subject, the files include correspondence, copies of leases, agreements, and assignments; reports on applications for leases or assignments; inspection reports on mining operations and accidents; statistical reports on production and royalty payments; receipts for royalty payments; copies of documents filed in court proceedings; newspaper clippings on mining operations, accidents, and the award of leases; plat maps of lease locations; and photographs of mine operations. The bulk of the correspondence is with the Superintendent for the Five Civilized Tribes, the Mining Trustees for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, tribal attorneys, officials of mining companies and unions, and the U.S. Indian Inspector for Indian Territory. Much of the correspondence pertains to the leasing of unallotted Choctaw-Chickasaw lands for coal and asphalt mining.

57.125 Several series of records either created or collected by the Land Classification Board and its successors are found among the central office records of the Conservation Branch. The **records concerning land and stream classification, 1900-61** (56 ft.), consist chiefly of narrative and statistical studies, many of which relate to investigations of lands and streams on the public domain and Indian reservations to determine their suitability for water power and storage possibilities. Other subjects covered by these records are the use of water and power by industries, proposed and existing dam and reservoir sites, utilization and improvement of existing water and power supplies, recommendations for withdrawal of land for power purposes, and applications for permits to use water. Some of the projects discussed in the records were initiated by the Forest Service, the General Land Office, the Army Corps of Engineers, and the Office of Indian Affairs.

57.126 Other kinds of documents found in this series are publications, congressional reports, plats, maps, letters, memorandums, photographic prints and negatives, diagrams, press releases, and newspaper clippings. The files are arranged according to an alpha-numeric filing system, but a file list is available giving the file number, the author when appropriate, the date, and the subject of each file. The following

examples of entries from the list are for two files that pre-date 1900:

D-100-9-M-4 Davis, Arthur P., "Report on the Irrigation Investigation for the Benefit of the Pima and Other Indians on the Gila River Indian Reservation, Arizona," (Senate Report), 1897

D-100-10-H-5 Copies of decrees regarding water use, District Court, Fifth Judicial District, Oneida County, Idaho, 1895-1910

The series contains records relating to the following States and Territories: Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming. Because so many of these records relate to Indian lands, a list of the files concerning Indian reservations is also available. Reservations for which files are found include the Blackfeet, Crow, Flathead, Fort Apache, Fort Belknap, Fort Berthold, Fort Peck, Gila River, Jicarilla, Klamath, Mescalero, Mission, Pine Ridge, Rosebud, Salt River, San Carlos, San Xavier, Walker River, and others.

57.127 Classification, withdrawal, and restoration correspondence, 1903-24 (19 vols., 3 ft.), consists for the most part of copies of letters and orders dealing with the classification of public lands, as well as their withdrawal from, or restoration for, settlement, sale, or entry. The letters also concern the preparation of plats and the location of natural resources such as minerals, coal, oil, and phosphate. A few letters are accompanied by maps of States and plats. The documents are arranged chronologically under the following headings: Coal Classifications, 1906-24; Coal Restorations, 1910-21; Coal Withdrawals, 1910-13; Petroleum Reserves, 1903-24; Petroleum Restorations, 1909-15; Phosphate Reserves, 1908-15; and Phosphate Restorations, 1908-15. The laws, orders, regulations, and other policy documents constituting the **land classification procedural files, 1906-72** (1 ft.), are arranged under the following headings: general order, 1907-12; circulars, 1910-17; evaluation, 1908-13; principles of classification, 1908-19; coal land regulations, 1909-46; legislation (related memorandums), 1907-16; fuel section 1906-20; instructions to Registers and Receivers of the General Land Office regarding classifications and reclassifications, 1912-15; miscellaneous, 1909-44; and classifications, 1906-40.

57.128 Approximately 4,500 **coal classification plats, 1906-79** (11 ft.), collected in binders numbered 1-43, are arranged alphabetically by State and thereunder by township and range numbers. The plats, which are printed township diagrams on 8- by 10 1/2-inch forms, are marked to show coal deposits and in some cases the presence of iron deposits and oil shale. Some of the plats are color-coded to indicate deposits, and some carry notations as to the value of the designated coal lands. The binders containing most of the plats for Wyoming are missing. **Coal and potash land classification, withdrawal, and restoration files, 1908-80** (3 ft.), consist primarily of copies of letters and orders exchanged between the Director of the Geological Survey, the Commissioner and registers of the General Land Office, the Secretary of the Interior, and the President, involving the classification of mineral lands and the withdrawal and restoration of coal and potash lands for private development. Some of the documents deal with the methods by which the lands were classified. Interspersed are plats and maps of regions in the West as well as a few photographs of the terrain and mining areas. Only the coal-related documents are relevant; they are arranged by subject, thereunder by State, and thereunder by order number. The pre-1913 materials are found under the following headings: coal land withdrawals; coal land restorations; and coal land modifications. A file titled "Reserves" includes documents relating to the Crow Indian Reservation, 1911-18, and the Fort Assiniboine Abandoned Military Reservation, 1912-18, both in Montana.

57.129 Copies of letters and memorandums, maps, and photographs make up the **records concerning railroad land grants, 1907-31** (10 in.). These records deal with the identification of mineral, oil, and gas deposits on lands granted to the Northern Pacific and the Southern Pacific railroads, protests against certain mineral classifications, and a lawsuit brought by the Federal Government against the Southern Pacific Railroad in 1912. The records are arranged by subject and thereunder chronologically. The file headings are listed below:

Northern Pacific Railway Land Grants, 1909-24
Northern Pacific Railway Grant Lands - Montana
(includes sections labeled Lands listed by GLO for examination; List of classifications approved

by GLO; and Mineral Classifications of Lands reported to GLO by Survey)
History of California withdrawals, Southern Pacific suits, 1907-31

57.130 Filed with the records are carbon copies of the **minutes of the Metalliferous Board, Mar. 1, 1912-Feb. 26, 1913** (1 in.), which, on March 1, 1912, considered General Land Office reports on Northern Pacific selections of the north fork of Clearwater Basin, Idaho. On March 29 the Board discussed the legal and geologic phases of land classification work, using the Survey's experience in classifying the Northern Pacific lands as a point of reference, and considered assays of samples collected in connection with an examination of Northern Pacific lands in 1911 and their bearing upon the classification of the Northern Pacific lands on May 31. Many of the Board's meetings were devoted to examining and discussing State "safety maps," which showed valuable deposits of minerals other than coal, oil, and phosphate. The minutes of several of those meetings are quite lengthy; for example, the minutes of the discussion of the map of New Mexico consist of 7 pages. Other lengthy discussions concerned the maps of California, north half (7 pp.), Idaho (21 pp.), Montana (6 pp.), Oregon (13 pp.), Utah (24 pp.), and Wyoming (10 pp.). The maps themselves are not included in the series. Other topics considered by the Board include the following: the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, MT; the classification of certain town and villa sites in the Flathead Indian Reservation, MT; a study by F.C. Culkins called "Principles Governing Mineral Land Classification" (14 pp. and related comments), and Max W. Ball's "Mineral Land Classification" (6 pp.); mineral lands in the St. Joe region in eastern Idaho; iron ore deposits on the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, MT; mineral lands withdrawal, Warren Mining District, AZ; minutes of the Potash Board regarding the advisability of making further withdrawals for potash; and matters of form governing the preparation of reports on and plats of lands in the Colville Indian Reservation.

57.131 Indian land classification records, 1912-18 (3 in.), consist of carbons and photostatic copies of letters and reports concerning the classification of mineral lands on Indian reservations throughout the Western United States. Maps accompany a few of the records. Also included is a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Metalliferous Board concerning the classification of lands on the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, MT.

57.132 Plat classification cards (13 ft.), arranged by State and thereunder by legal land descriptions expressed in terms of principal meridian, township, and range, constitute the most extensive segment of several sets of cards making up the **land classification indexes, 1900-74** (15 ft.). Summary data compiled on the 5- by 8-inch plat classification cards identify tracts classified as coal, oil, gas, and potash lands. Most cards provide a colored diagram in grid form showing the classified lands, and some include notes about the mineral deposits shown. The cards contain information on actions taken concerning the lands and, in some cases, indicate the value of the mineral deposits. Two indexes compiled on 3- by 5-inch cards concern withdrawals of lands for coal, arranged by State (NV, NM, ND, OR, SD, UT), and other actions taken regarding the following subjects: oil shale, phosphate (ID, MT, UT, WY), potash, sodium, metalliferous, oil classification, and well-drilling reserves. A third set of 3- by 5-inch cards, arranged by subject and in some cases thereunder alphabetically by State, concerns the withdrawal and restoration of reserves for coal (MT, WY), phosphate (CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, ND, OR, SD, UT, WA, WY), and petroleum (AZ, CA, CO, LA, MT, NM, ND, OK, OR, UT, WY) as well as the following subjects: helium, oil shale, natural oil shale, phosphate, and potash.

57.133 Other records inherited by the Conservation Branch are part of the **annual reports of public utilities permittees and related records, 1910-49** (20 ft.). This series consists of annual narrative and statistical reports submitted to the Survey by public utilities or other companies granted rights-of-way across Federal lands under the acts of Congress of February 15, 1901, and March 4, 1911. In lieu of these reports, the utilities often submitted copies of reports prepared for the Federal Power Commission, State regulatory bodies, or stockholders. Also included are letters, transcripts of hearings, articles, newspaper clippings, and other documents concerning the use of water power resources on the public domain by the public utilities or other organizations operating under Federal power permits or grants. The records provide information concerning the generation, distribution, and delivery of electric energy; the use and alterations made of structures located on land under permit or grant; total energy sold and revenues accrued; and the operation and maintenance expenses of hydroelectric plants. The records are arranged alphabetically by name of utility company or other permittee and thereunder in rough chronological order by date of docu-

ment. Although there are records for many utility companies located west of the Mississippi River, only the following have files pre-dating 1913: American Power & Light Company (1911, 1913, 1916); Great Shoshone and Twin Falls Water Power Company (1911-15); Oro Electric Corporation (1911, 1916); Pacific Electric Railway Company (1912, 1917); Pacific Power & Light Company (1910-44); Southern California Gas Company (1912, 1917-18); and Utah Securities Corporation (1912, 1916).

57.134 The mineral character and power site possibilities of Indian reservation lands, land classifications and withdrawals, the filing of plats and surveys, and naval oil reserves are a few of the subjects covered by the Division's **mission control files, 1901-80** (211 ft.), arranged by file category and thereunder in rough chronological order. A list of file headings is available. Most pre-1913 materials are filed under the category "Cooperation, Federal Agencies." Files for the Interior Department, Bureau of Indian Affairs, concern Indian lands in the following States and Territories: Arizona, California, Idaho, Iowa, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming. Some files for the Interior Department, Bureau of Land Management, concern the acceptance of surveys and the submission of plats for lands in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming. Files documenting relations with the Defense Department relate to naval petroleum reserves in California and Oklahoma. Records found under the category "Land, Classification," include files concerning coal, oil, and gas classifications, as well as a general file, 1906-10, relating to the classification of public lands for mineral, water, and agricultural purposes; the statutory authority for classification work undertaken by the Survey and the General Land Office; the creation of the Land Classification Board; and plans and estimates for field work. The category "Land, Withdrawals," includes State files as well as files for coal and oil and gas lands. Materials filed under "Legal" deal with laws and regulations, claims and litigation (Confederated Bands of Utes), oil and gas leasing, and Federal legislation. Other early materials are found under the categories "Coal, General"; "Oil and Gas, Oil Fields"; "Phosphate, General"; and "Organization and Management."

57.135 Cartographic materials from the Land Classification Board and the Conservation Branch are among the segregated cartographic records of the Conservation Division. Included is another set of the coal classification plats, 1906-79 (4,500 items), discussed in 57.128; miscellaneous documents from Indian land classified files, 1912-18 (7 items); State maps and plats from land classification, withdrawal, and restoration books, 1903-24 (10 items), and from coal and potash land classification, withdrawal, and restoration files, 1908-80 (110 items); and miscellaneous documents from land classification files, 1906-72 (10 items), and from railroad land grant records, 1907-31 (10 items).

General Cartographic Records

57.136 Cartographic materials prepared by the Branch of Waterpower Classification consist of control maps for Western States, depicting rights-of-way and easements under 1901 and 1911 Federal statutes, 1901-46 (210 items). Also available are materials documenting a 1900 canal survey conducted on the Uinta Indian Reservation by a Geological Survey reclamation hydrographer (15 items), and historical maps from the Geological Survey library showing Civil War census data for Arkansas, Louisiana, and Missouri.

General Photographic Records

57.137 An album of photographic prints shows landscapes, towns, farms, mines, and railroads, ca. 1880-1900 (**MA**). Paper and glass negatives and albumen prints taken by F.A. Nims and others document areas explored during an 1889-90 survey of the Colorado River and its tributaries by Robert B. Stanton, chief engineer of the Denver, Colorado Canyon and Pacific Railroad (**RS, RSA, RSB**). Some photographs, ca. 1886-1900, taken by John K. Hillers and others, show geological formations in several States, including California (**PS**). Also available are mounted photographic prints of Lake Tahoe, CA, and vicinity published by W.H. Jackson Photograph and Publishing Company, Denver, CO, ca. 1885 (**HSB**).

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DIVISION OF GEOLOGY GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE FILES, 1890-1922
SELECT LIST OF FILE HEADINGS

File No.	Name of File	Date
2	Geologic Atlas	1902-3
9	Topography	1903-14
	Topographic Work Requested by Geologic Branch	1909-14
26	Colorado Geological Survey (R.D. George)	1902-15
46	Texas-Louisiana Oil Fields	1903
47	Coal Lands in Indian Territory	1902-10
63	Cooperation: State of California	1902
76	Louisiana Purchase Exposition (see also 127 and 474)	1903
82	Bureau of Mines	1903-15
94	Black Hills, South Dakota	1903
95	Rock Mineral Specimens	1903-16
125	Legislation	1903-14
127	St. Louis World's Fair (see also 76 and 474)	1904-5
140	General Land Office	1907-14
153	Coal Land Classification Work	1906-15
156	State Geologists	
156.4	Conference of State Geologists in Washington, DC	1907-8
156.6	Meeting of State Geologists in Washington, DC	1908
156.7	Program for Proposed Conference in Washington, DC	1910
156.8	State Geologic Surveys	1909-10
156.9	Conference of State Geologists	1911
156.11	Resolution of Association for American State Geologists, etc.	1912
162	South Dakota Geological Survey (Ellwood C. Perisho)	1907-10
163	Ground Water Investigation	1909-14
176	Forest Service: Examination of Mineral Claims and National Forest Resources	1907-15
184	Orders	1907-10
188	Land Classification Board	1908-14
189	National Conservation Commission	1908-9
190	Analysis of Rock Samples taken near Harve, MT	1906-9
194	Geologic Work, Requests for	1908-10
195	California Oil Investigation	1909-15
[200]	Office of Indian Affairs	
200.1	General	1911-14
200.5	Accounts	1908-15
200.17	Navajo Reservation, AZ	1912
200.30	Fort Hall Indian Reservation	1911-14

File No.	Name of File	Date
200.35	Fort Boise Indian Reservation	1911
200.40	Blackfeet Reservation	1911-12
200.43	Flathead Reservation	1911-13
200.44	Fort Peck Reservation	1908-11
200.50	Zuni Reservation	1912-14
200.60	Fort Berthold Reservation	1910-12
200.61	Standing Rock and Cheyenne River Reservations	1908-9
200.65	Oklahoma (General)	1911, 1915
200.66	Five Civilized Tribes (Manganese deposits in McCurtain County)	1912
200.67	Pawnee, Kaw, Otoe, Ponca, and Tonkawa Reservation	1912
200.68	Pushmataha County (Examination of Reported Gold Deposits)	1912-13
200.70	Choctaw Nation	1912-13
200.75	Klamath Reservation	1912-13
200.76	Umatilla Reservation	1911-12
200.77	Warm Springs	1911-12
200.85	Colville Reservation	1912
200.94	Yakima Reservation	1912-13
200.99	Shoshone or Wind River Reservation	1909-13
202	Alaska-Yukon Pacific Exposition	1909
224	Northern Pacific Railroad Land Grants, Classification of	1910-14
232.10	Commerce Department, Coast and Geodetic Survey	1911-12
233	Secretary of the Interior	1910-15
233.13	Investigation of Ferry Lake, LA	1913-15
234	Justice, Department of	1910-15
236	Post Office Department	1911-15
237	State Department	1912-14
238	Treasury Department	1912-14
239	War Department	1911-15
240.10	Agriculture Department, Bureau of Soils	1911-16
241	Potash Investigation	1906-14
241.12	Potash: Progress	1912-14
241.13	Potash: Examination of Areas by Request of Public	1912
241.20	Potash: Drilling	1912-14
241.21	Potash: Bids for Drilling	1911-15
241.31	Potash: Cooperation - Bureau of Soils	1912
241.32	Potash: Samples Nevada	1912
241.40	Potash: Information to Public about Work	1912-15
242	External Correspondence: General [State breakdown. Unless noted below, records are post-1912.]	1911-14
242.40	Missouri	1911-15

File No.	Name of File	Date
242.40	Nevada	1911-15
242.53	California	1911-14
242.55	Louisiana	1911
242.70	Minnesota	1912
247	Glacier National Park	1911-14
248	Agreements and Contracts	1912-15
264	Paleontologic Work	1911-12
265	Minnesota Geological Survey (W. H. Emmons)	1912-15
265.10	Cooperative Agreements--Minnesota	1911-15
373.33	Geologic Map of North America (see also 478)	1906-7
473	Institutions and Plans for Geologic Work	1903
474	St. Louis Exposition (see also 76 and 127)	1902-6
475	Lists of State Geologists	1902
476.2	Oil Fields	1981-1901
478	Geologic Map of North America (see also 373.33)	1907-10
494	Missouri: Bureau of Geology and Mines (H.A. Buehler)	1901-15
494.10	Cooperative Agreements--Missouri	1910, 1913-14
530	Yosemite Folio	1902-3
533	Annual Reports	1902-3
576	Geologic Map of the United States	1902-15
578	Arkansas Geological Survey (A.H. Purde--N.F. Drake)	1902-15
579	Committee on Geologic Names	1902-15
855	Oklahoma Geological Survey	1902-15
855.10	Cooperative Agreements--Oklahoma	1912-13
969	North Dakota Geological Survey: North Dakota Agricultural College	1902-16
970	Kansas Geological Survey (Erasmus Haworth)	1902-15
990	Utah: Washington County	1908
991.619	Utah: Saline	1907

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GEOLOGISTS AND GEOGRAPHIC AREAS REPRESENTED IN THE FIELD NOTEBOOKS, 1867-1913

Area Name	Unfiched	Fiched
Arizona:		
John M. Boutwell	▲	▲
M.R. Campbell		▲
Julius Morgan Clements	▲	
N.H. Darton		▲
Samuel F. Emmons	▲	
Grove K. Gilbert	▲	
James M. Hill	▲	
John D. Irving	▲	
Waldemar Lindgren		▲
Frederick H. Newell		▲
Frederick L. Ransome	▲	
Frank C. Schrader		▲
Joseph B. Umpleby	▲	
Arkansas:		
George F. Becker		▲
A.J. Collier		▲
Samuel F. Emmons		▲
Charles Willard Hayes		▲
James M. Hill	▲	
California:		
Ralph Arnold		▲
George F. Becker		▲
John M. Boutwell		▲
W.O. Clark		▲
Samuel F. Emmons	▲	
Grove K. Gilbert	▲	
James D. Hague	▲	
James M. Hill	▲	
Hollister R. Johnson		▲
Clarence King	▲	
Adolph Knopf		▲
Esher S. Larsen	▲	▲

Area Name	Unfiched	Fiched
California con.		
Waldemar Lindgren		▲
Walter C. Mendenhall		▲
Edward C. Murphy	▲	
Albert C. Peale		▲
Frederick L. Ransome	▲	
Josiah.E. Spurr	▲	
H.W. Turner		▲
C.H. White		▲
Colorado:		
Arthur K. Adams		▲
Howland Bancroft	▲	
Edson S. Bastin	▲	▲
M.R. Campbell		▲
G.B. Chittenden		▲
Julius Morgan Clements	▲	
R.D. Crawford		▲
C. Whitman Cross	▲	▲
N.H. Darton		▲
Lincoln Grant Eakins		▲
George H. Eldridge		▲
Samuel F. Emmons	▲	▲
William H. Emmons	▲	
F.M. Endlich		▲
N.M. Fenneman		▲
George I. Finlay	▲	▲
H.S. Gale	▲	
H.S. Gane	▲	
George H. Garrey	▲	
Grove K. Gilbert	▲	
G.H. Girty	▲	
L.C. Grafton		▲
F.P. Gulliver	▲	
Ferdinand V. Hayden		▲
Charles Willard Hayes		▲
James M. Hill	▲	
Allen D. Hole		▲
William Henry Holmes	▲	
Ernest Howe	▲	
J. Fred Hunter	▲	▲

Area Name	Unfiched	Fiched
Colorado con.		
John D. Irving	▲	
Charles Edward Jacob	▲	
Albert Johannsen	▲	▲
George F. Kay	▲	
Arthur Lakes	▲	
W.T. Lee	▲	
Waldemar Lindgren		▲
Eliot C.E. Lord	▲	
Gerald F. Loughlin	▲	
G.C. Martin		▲
Archibald R. Marvine		▲
Edward B. Mathews	▲	
J.E. McCullock	▲	
Frederick H. Newell		▲
Albert C. Peale		▲
Max Pishel		▲
Chester W. Purington		▲
Frederick L. Ransome	▲	
Sherman G. Sackett	▲	
Millard K. Shaler	▲	
C.E. Siebenthal		▲
W.S.Tangier Smith		▲
Arthur C. Spencer	▲	
Josiah E. Spurr	▲	
George W. Stose	▲	
Joseph A. Taff		▲
W.R. Taggart		▲
George Warren Tower	▲	
C. David White		▲
E.G. Woodruff		▲
Lester H. Woolsey	▲	▲
Idaho		
N.F. Drake		▲
Samuel F. Emmons	▲	
Charles Willard Hayes		▲
Hollister R. Johnson		▲
Waldemar Lindgren		▲
Eliot C.E. Lord		▲
W.A. Prichard		▲

Area Name	Unfiched	Fiched
Idaho con.		
Frederick L. Ransome	▲	
Frank C. Schrader		▲
W.J. Sinclair	▲	
Edward R. Zolinski	▲	
Iowa		
William C. Alden		▲
T.C. Chamberlain		▲
Kansas		
N.H. Darton		▲
C. David White		▲
Louisiana		
Charles Willard Hayes		▲
Arthur C. Veatch		▲
Minnesota		
William C. Alden		▲
Missouri		
N.H. Darton		▲
Samuel F. Emmons		▲
Charles Willard Hayes		▲
C. David White		▲
E.G. Woodruff		▲
Montana		
William C. Alden		▲
Joseph Barrell	▲	
H. Bassler		▲
C. Max Bauer		▲

Area Name	Unfiched	Fiched
Montana con.		
H.R. Bennett		▲
Charles F. Bowen		▲
A.E. Brown		▲
M.R. Campbell		▲
A.J. Collier		▲
Clifton S. Corbett		▲
C. Whitman Cross	▲	
N.H. Darton		▲
E.L. Degolyer		▲
George H. Eldridge		▲
Samuel F. Emmons	▲	
Henry G. Ferguson		▲
Elmer H. Finch		▲
Cassius A. Fisher		▲
Grove K. Gilbert	▲	
J.H. Hance		▲
Ferdinand V. Hayden		▲
T.H. Hensley	▲	
J.R. Hoots		▲
E.B. Hopkins		▲
Hollister R. Johnson	▲	
E.L. Jones, Jr.		▲
Arthur Keith		▲
Adolph Knopf		▲
C.F. Lesher		▲
Waldemar Lindgren		▲
E.M. Parks		▲
Albert C. Peale		▲
L.J. Pepperberg		▲
Max Pishel		▲
Raphael Pumpelly		▲
M.P. Redmond	▲	
Carl D. Smith		▲
Eugene Stebinger		▲
Ralph W. Stone	▲	▲
J.E. Thomas		▲
George Warren Tower	▲	
Walter H. Weed	▲	
C.R. Williams		▲
Bailey Willis	▲	
E.G. Woodruff		▲

Area Name	Unfiched	Fiched
Nebraska		
William C. Alden		▲
Edwin H. Barbour		▲
N.H. Darton		▲
Cassius A. Fisher		▲
J.E. MacFarland		▲
Frederick H. Newell		▲
George B. Richardson		▲
Nevada		
George F. Becker		▲
Samuel F. Emmons	▲	▲
William H. Emmons	▲	
George H. Garrey	▲	
Grove K. Gilbert	▲	
James M. Hill	▲	
E.L. Jones, Jr.		▲
Adolph Knopf		▲
Waldemar Lindgren		▲
Frederick L. Ransome	▲	
Arthur C. Spencer		▲
Josiah E. Spurr		▲
New Mexico		
M.R. Campbell		▲
C. Whitman Cross	▲	▲
N.H. Darton		▲
Samuel F. Emmons	▲	
F.M. Endlich		▲
Grove K. Gilbert	▲	
Ferdinand V. Hayden		▲
James M. Hill	▲	
Waldemar Lindgren		▲
Frederick H. Newell		▲
C. David White		▲
North Dakota		
William C. Alden		▲

Area Name	Unfiched	Fiched
North Dakota con.		
M.R. Campbell		▲
Frank A. Heard		▲
Arthur Keith		▲
Albert C. Peale		▲
Oklahoma		
C. David White		▲
Oregon		
George F. Becker		▲
N.H. Darton		▲
Samuel F. Emmons	▲	
Grove K. Gilbert	▲	
Arnold Hague	▲	
J.A. Holmes		▲
Waldemar Lindgren		▲
Chester W. Washburne		▲
South Dakota		
Edwin H. Barbour		▲
John M. Boutwell	▲	
N.H. Darton		▲
Samuel F. Emmons	▲	
James M. Hill	▲	
John D. Irving	▲	
J.E. MacFarland		▲
Frederick H. Newell		▲
Cleophas C. O'Harra		▲
Sidney Paige		▲
George B. Richardson		▲
W.S. Tangier Smith		▲
George Warren Tower	▲	
Texas		
Charles Willard Hayes		▲

Area Name	Unfiched	Fiched
Texas con.		
Sidney Paige		▲
Arthur C. Spencer		▲
C. David White		▲
Utah		
George F. Becker		▲
J.M. Boutwell	▲	
C. Whitman Cross	▲	
N.H. Darton		▲
Samuel F. Emmons	▲	▲
C.E. Erdmann		▲
Grove K. Gilbert	▲	
Charles Willard Hayes		▲
James M. Hill	▲	
Ellsworth Huntington		▲
C.S. Jarvis		▲
Gerald F. Loughlin	▲	
Hiram D. McCaskey	▲	
George B. Richardson		▲
A.M. Rock	▲	
Arthur C. Spencer		▲
Josiah E. Spurr	▲	
George Warren Tower	▲	
Washington		
Ralph Arnold		▲
George F. Becker		▲
Frank C. Calkins		▲
Samuel F. Emmons	▲	
Grove K. Gilbert	▲	
Arnold Hague	▲	
Waldemar Lindgren		▲
Walter C. Mendenhall		▲
Max A. Pishel		▲
Frederick L. Ransome	▲	
W.J. Sinclair	▲	
E.E. Smith		▲
George O. Smith		▲

Area Name	Unfiched	Fiched
Washington con.		
Josiah E. Spurr	▲	
Chester W. Washburne		▲
Wyoming		
M.W. Ball		▲
V.H. Barnett		▲
George F. Becker		▲
A.E. Brown		▲
C. Whitman Cross		▲
N.H. Darton		▲
T.A. Davis		▲
Frank Elliot		▲
Samuel F. Emmons	▲	
Cassius A. Fisher		▲
Arnold Hague	▲	
Ferdinand V. Hayden		▲
James M. Hill	▲	
Albert Johannsen		▲
Franklin P. King	▲	
J. Volney Lewis		▲
Waldemar Lindgren		▲
Spenser R. Logan		▲
J.E. MacFarland		▲
Archibold R. Marvine		▲
Frederick H. Newell		▲
Cleophas C. O'Harra		▲
Albert C. Peale		▲
R.Z. Pierce		▲
Max Pishel		▲
George B. Richardson		▲
A.R. Schultz		▲
C.E. Siebenthal		▲
Carl D. Smith		▲
W.S. Tangier Smith		▲
Arthur C. Spencer	▲	▲
Josiah E. Spurr		
A.W. Stickney		▲
Arthur.C. Veatch	▲	▲
Walter H. Weed		
E.G. Woodruff		▲

Area Name	Unfiched	Fiched
Yellowstone National Park (YNP)		
Paul J. Dashiell	▲	
Lincoln Grant Eakins	▲	
Henry Gannett	▲	
A.C. Gill	▲	
Arnold Hague	▲	
William Henry Holmes	▲	
Ernest Howe	▲	
Joseph P. Iddings	▲	
Thomas A. Jaggar	▲	
Albert C. Peale		▲
Samuel L. Penfield	▲	
Louis V. Pirsson	▲	
M.P. Redmond	▲	
J.H. Ropes	▲	
W.E. Sanders	▲	
Walter H. Weed	▲	
J. Edward Whitfield	▲	
George M. Wright	▲	

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15.1	Topographic Inspectors Reports	1904-9
	Inspection Reports	1907-16
15.1	Monthly Summaries of Office Work	1901-16
19	Geological Survey Appropriations 1879-80;	1901-2
	Non-Cooperative Expenditures of Survey (1890-91 to 1904-5)	
	Cooperation-General (1907-8 to 1914)	
	Pending Cooperation (1901, 1905, 1910-21)	
20	Drainage (old)	1907-10
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21	Unification of Symbols	1907-9
	Maps Symbols, Sign & Lettering	1890-1908
	Base Maps Committee	
	Maps Editing & Printing Committee	1898-1908
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46	Estimates	1910-20
49	Press Bulletins	1911-13
50	Instruction	1895-1919
51	Circular Letters (old)	1900-25
53	Suggestions	1910-21
54	Change in Sheet Names	1910-21
56	Symbols	1905-16
57	Bulletins	1912-20
59	Triangulation Station	1911-16
60	Leases	1910-11
61	Map Work	1908-22

File No.	Name of File	Date
100	Interior Department (old)	1894-1921
100.2	Chief Clerk	1911-21
103	Commissioner of Indian Affairs	1901-18
110	Reconnaissance Maps	1904-21
111	Geological Survey: Chief Clerk	1904-19
115	Chief Geologist	1903-21
115.3	Map Editor	1911-12, 1920
119	Chief Topographic Engineers	1905-21
120	Forest Atlas	1908-9
130	Water Resources Branch	1905, 1917-21
131	Treasury Department: Denver Office	1911
132	River Surveys	1903-16
134	Land Classification Board	1908-21
142	Section of Distribution	1908-21
143	Engraving Division	1900-21
150	Post Office Department	1907-21
156	U.S. Coast & Geodetic Survey	1907-21
156	Bureau of Standards	1908-21
160	Department of Agriculture	1906-21
162	Forester	1906-21
170	War Department	1910-21
170.1	Chief of Engineers	1905-21
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170.14	Military Information	1905-25
175	Civil Service Commission	1912-21
176	Treasury Department	1904-21
199.1	General Accounting Office: Surveys, etc.	1911-14
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504	Possible Cooperation, A-L	1909, 1923-34
513	Land Classification, Reports and Correspondence	1909, 1914-23

Record Group 70

RECORDS OF THE U.S. BUREAU OF MINES

As to the relations of the Bureau of Mines to the work of the States and private corporations, it may be expected that the bureau will take no part in mine supervision or in mine inspection, these being within the province of the State. But the bureau will do what it can to encourage the investigation of local mining problems by the States and the private corporations most directly interested. Furthermore, the bureau will not undertake to do or to supplant the professional work which is now being done, or is to be done, by private mining engineers. Its main work will be that of conducting such investigations and inquiries as relate to the more general or national phases of mining and metallurgical branches of the industry, and the distribution of the results of its investigations and inquiries among the mine workers and the mine operators of the country in such manner as will be most effective in accomplishing the purposes for which the bureau was created.

Richard A. Ballinger, "Report of the Secretary of the Interior," Reports of the Department of the Interior (*1910*), *Vol. 1, p. 26.*

INTRODUCTION

70.1 By an act of May 16, 1910, the Bureau of Mines was established as a separate agency within the Department of the Interior to conduct inquiries and investigations aimed at improving health and safety conditions and increasing economy and efficiency in the mining, metallurgical, quarrying, and other mineral industries of the country. Because the new Bureau was assigned functions that had been conducted since 1904 by the Geological Survey, the enabling act not only outlined the Bureau's duties but also transferred to it the Survey's work of analyzing and testing coals, lignites, and other mineral fuel substances and of investigating the causes of and means of preventing mine explosions. The employees of the Technologic Branch of the Geological Survey who were associated with the Survey's investigations of fuels and of mine explosions were transferred to the Bureau of Mines.

70.2 Initially the Bureau's work related almost exclusively to coal mining and fuels because appropriations covered little more than the functions inherited from the Geological Survey. In both his 1911 and 1912 annual reports, however, the Director of the Bureau stressed the need to extend the scope of the mine-accident investigations to include quarrying, metallurgical, and metal-mining industries, particularly those in the Western States, and to investigate means of curbing mineral waste. Legislation passed in 1913 broadened the Bureau's mandate, charging it with the study of economic conditions in the mining industry in general and with the prevention of waste in the mineral, quarrying, and metallurgical industries. In 1925 the Division of Mineral Resources of the Geological Survey and the Coal Division of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce were transferred to the Bureau of Mines, and the Bureau itself became part of the Department of Commerce. The Bureau was returned to the Department of the Interior in 1934. In 1992 it was redesignated the U.S. Bureau of Mines. The Bureau was terminated on March 31, 1996, as part of a general downsizing of the Federal Government.

70.3 During its early years the Bureau maintained six mine-safety stations and seven mine-safety cars that were used to facilitate investigations of mine disasters and to demonstrate the use of mine rescue apparatus and approved methods of rendering first aid to the injured. The two stations located west of the Mississippi River were in Seattle, WA, and McAlester, OK. The mine-safety cars moved from one mining camp to another within a designated district. Three cars were assigned to districts beyond the Mississippi. Car No. 2, with headquarters at Trinidad, CO, and Salt Lake City, UT, operated in the coal fields of New Mexico, Colorado, and Utah; Car No. 4, headquartered at Rock Springs, WY, operated in Wyoming, Northern Colorado, and Utah; and Car No. 5, with headquarters at Billings, MT, and Seattle, WA, operated in Montana and Washington. Each station and car was under the general supervision of an engineer who was in charge of mine investigation field work being conducted in a geographical section. The Central section, headquartered at Urban, IL, included the coal-mining districts of Iowa and Missouri; the Southwestern section, headquartered at Pittsburg, KS,

included Kansas, Arkansas, and Oklahoma, and the McAlester station. Denver was the site of the headquarters for the Southern Rocky Mountain section, which included the coal mining districts of southern Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, and New Mexico, and cars No. 2 and No. 4. Billings, MT, was headquarters for the Pacific section, including the coal and metal mines in Washington, Idaho, Montana, and northern Wyoming, the Seattle station, and Car No. 5.

70.4 Fuel investigations included tests of subbituminous coals from Utah and Washington and of lignites from North Dakota and Texas. In Denver, CO, investigations were conducted to determine the possibilities of producing high grade metallurgical coke from the coals of the Rocky Mountain region. The petroleum laboratory examined crude petroleum from oil fields in California to ascertain the heating value of crude oil and fuels derived from it.

70.5 The Director of the Bureau of Mines also supervised the inspection of mines in the Territories, and the mine inspector for the Territory of New Mexico reported to him until New Mexico achieved statehood in 1912. Thereafter, responsibility for inspection rested with the new State government.

70.6 Although the Bureau of Mines inherited a field organization from the Geological Survey, the bulk of the records in the custody of the National Archives at College Park, MD, are those of the central office. Some records from field installations, however, are among the holdings of the Regional Records Services facilities of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), with early statements of ore shipments and geologic and mineral atlases being held by NARA's Rocky Mountain Region, in Denver, CO. These records are discussed with related central office records. Most cartographic and photographic records are maintained apart from the textual records, and they are described at the end of this chapter. A preliminary inventory describing records of both the central office and the field units is included in the National Archives microfiche edition of preliminary inventories.

70.7 Record copies of publications of the Bureau of Mines form part of Record Group 287, Publications of the U.S. Government. Records relating to the Bureau of Mines for the early period are found in Record Group 48, Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, and descriptions of the relevant material are found in *The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-1912: Part IV, A Guide to the Records of the Department of the Interior for the Territorial Period, Section 1, Records of the Offices of the Secretary of the Interir and the Commissioner of Railroads*. Record Group 48 also contains records of mine inspectors for Arizona, Indian, New Mexico, and Utah Territories. Annual reports of the mine inspectors and those of the Director of the Bureau of Mines are included in the published annual reports of the Secretary of the Interior.

70.8 Editorial Note: Most records of the Bureau of Mines originated after 1912, and they are not discussed here. Unless otherwise noted, series consisting of records that originated prior to 1913 but extending beyond that date are described in their entirety. No attempt has been made to determine what part of such series relates to the pre-1913 period. Photographic records are identified by alphabetic collection designators instead of series titles. The designators are shown in parentheses.

Records of the Administrative Division

70.9 Letters, reports, memorandums, plans, circulars, issuances, and other records make up the basic series of **correspondence and other records ("Decimal File"), 1910-66** (3,353 ft.). These records relate to the functions and programs of the Bureau, including general administrative, financial, and personnel matters; policy statements and decisions; research; and the gathering of statistics on the mineral wealth of and the production and use of minerals in the United States. Information in the records relates to general policies followed by the Bureau in mine safety, mineralogy, metallurgy, and petroleum and gas technology, as well as mineral leases and strategic minerals. The records are arranged by year and thereunder by the Bureau's decimal classification system, which consists of ten general classifications with numerous subdivisions. The general file classifications are as follows:

000-General
100- Administration
200-Finance
300-Equipment and Supplies
400-Mining and Metallurgy
500-Special Investigations
600-Fuels and Fuel Economy
700-Experiment Stations
800-Miscellaneous
900-Statistics

Under the "General" classification, the numbers 020-029 relate to "Outside Relations," with subheadings

for correspondence concerning individual States and municipalities, State universities and mining schools, and associations. Under "Administration," the numbers 160-169 concern "Legal Matters," with subheadings 161 for Federal, State, and foreign laws, and 166 for violations of State mining laws. This file system has remained relatively stable, although some variations and changes in numbers and subjects have occurred over the years.

70.10 An **index to correspondence and other records of the Bureau of Mines ("Decimal File"), 1910-69** (2,410 ft.), compiled on 3- by 5-inch cards, gives the date of the letter, the name of the person or organization sending the letter, a summary of the contents, and the decimal file number assigned to the communication. The index cards are arranged in four segments, three of which are pertinent to this guide. Two of these are arranged by year and thereunder alphabetically by name (1,887 ft.) or by subject (402 ft.), and the third is arranged numerically by serial number (40 ft.). The fourth segment covers letters of the station in Pittsburgh, PA. Also available for use as finding aids are **lists of decimal classification numbers used by Bureau of Mines central and field offices, 1910-71** (6 in.), arranged chronologically by year, with some gaps, and thereunder by office. Most of these lists of decimal numbers and their equivalent subject classifications are for the filing scheme used by the central office. Also included are filing systems for field offices in Texas and West Virginia.

70.11 Circulars containing summaries of the work of various divisions and laboratories of the Bureau, both in Washington and in the field offices, and information about investigations undertaken and the results of tests and experiments involved in Bureau projects constitute the **monthly record of events ("085.6 File"), Feb. 1911-Mar. 1932** (4 ft.). These circulars, written in the form of a newsletter, were used to familiarize Bureau employees with the orders and general instructions of the Bureau, as well as to inform them of news of official and personal interest. Also included are some personnel notices, summaries of publications issued by the Bureau or its personnel, and news of congressional and other legislative and legal activities affecting the agency. Bureau employee directories, indexes of administrative and business orders, an administrative order list, and a list of orders of the Secretary of the Interior are in a collection of **miscellaneous administrative records, 1911-67** (3 in.).

70.12 Published monographs describing major investigations or completed projects conducted by the Bureau of Mines or discussing a significant phase of a continuing long-range project make up the series of numbered **bulletins, 1910-93** (ca. 689 vols., 33 ft.), arranged numerically from 1 to 689. Many studies are general, often covering work conducted at numerous sites throughout the country. A few, such as those listed below, concern tests and experiments undertaken exclusively at Bureau installations in Western States.

1. Bulletin 2 (1912): *North Dakota Lignite as a Fuel for Power-Plant Boilers*, by D.T. Randal and Henry Kreisinger.

2. Bulletin 5 (1912): *Washing and Coking Tests of Coal at the Fuel-Testing Plant, Denver, Colo., July 1, 1908, to June 30, 1909*, by A.W. Beldin, G.R. Delamater, J.W. Groves, and K.M. Way.

3. Bulletin 19 (1911): *Physical and Chemical Properties of the Petroleums of the San Joaquin Valley of California*, by Irving C. Allen and W.A. Jacobs; *A Chapter on Analyses of Natural Gas from the Oil Fields of Southern California*, by G.A. Barrell.

4. Bulletin 28 (1911): *Experimental Work Conducted in the Chemical Laboratory of the United States Fuel-Testing Plant at St. Louis, Mo., January 1, 1905, to July 31, 1906*, by N.W. Lord.

The Superintendent of Documents (SuDoc) numbers for the bulletins are I 28.3:nos. for the periods 1910-25 and 1934-present, and C 22.3:nos. for the intervening period.

70.13 The records also include manuscripts of two unpublished histories of the Bureau. A **chronological draft history of the Bureau of Mines, 1910-60** (2 ft.), describes the functions and activities of the Bureau from its foundation on July 1, 1910, to June 30, 1960. Each of the ten chapters covers a period of five years. Accompanying the records is a set of photographs assembled for possible inclusion as illustrations for the text. A **topical draft history of the Bureau of Mines, 1910-25** (6 in.), is organized into chapters on the following topics: metallurgy, mineral leasing, administration, foreign minerals activities, health and safety, synthetic liquid fuels, fuel technology, petroleum and natural gas technology, oil shale, and explosives investigations. It appears that these chapters were prepared to provide material for the chronological account of the Bureau's history. Included are organizational tables.

Records of the Coal Economics Division

70.14 Records pertaining to coal ("Coal Economics Division Data File"), 1900-40 (20 ft.), consist of correspondence, reports, lists, tables, charts, and other records relating to the mining, production, transportation, sale, and use of coal, arranged numerically and thereunder by subject. A subject list is available. Most of the records date from the period 1905 to 1930, though some statistical studies may include figures and information gathered as early as 1898 or as late as 1940. Subjects for which information was collected include coal production and quality in various States, labor studies (including wages and strikes), rail and water transportation of coal, stocks of coal available for use, and the growing mechanization of the coal industry. Also available is a file of **annual fuel schedules and reports, 1907-48** (6 in.).

Records of the Mineral Resources and Statistics Division

70.15 Reports, tables, blueprints, clippings, correspondence, and other records relating mainly to coal production and labor relations in the coal producing areas of the United States constitute the **office file of Frederick G. Tryon, 1900-36** (6 ft.), which is arranged alphabetically by subject. Tryon was the Chief of the Coal and Coke Statistics Section of the Mineral Resources Division of the Geological Survey, a position he retained when the Division was transferred to the Bureau of Mines in 1925. Most of the records were compiled in connection with the U.S. Coal Commission's investigation of the coal strike of 1922.

70.16 Also among the records of the Division are **accident and employment tables, 1910-41** (130 vols., 32 ft.), which are arranged by type of operation and thereunder chronologically by year. These statistical tables list production, employment, and accident rates for metal mines, coal mines, coke ovens, quarries, and metallurgical plants. Information tabulated varies according to the individual operation but usually includes the type of mining, the amount of ore mined, statistics on the daily output, the number of men employed, and listings of fatalities and injuries. In cases when the tables relate to individual mines, the data include the name and location of the mine and the name(s) of the owner(s).

70.17 In his 1928 annual report, the Director of the Bureau discussed the work of the field offices of the Division of Mineral Statistics. He noted that the Denver office had canvassed producers of gold, silver, copper, lead, and zinc in all Western States and was compiling records of production of individual mines in Colorado dating from 1860. Documentation of some of this work can be found in the **statements of ore shipments, 1860-1928** (2 ft.), held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Rocky Mountain Region in Denver. These records consist chiefly of one oversized binder containing information about mining companies or operators working in Summit County whose names begin with the letters L through Z. The entries include the name of the operator or mining company, the data collection date, and statistics on the amount and quality of minerals mined, including gold and silver. Also included in the series is a small number of loose sheet receipts from different Colorado mining companies for the purchase of minerals from the Index Mining and Milling Company of Cripple Creek, CO. The Rocky Mountain Region also holds **geological and mineral atlases, 1890-1900** (118 folios, 1 ft.), created by the U.S. Geological Survey, that show general topographic and geological features for 77 different areas of the United States. Each folio consists of a topographic base map and a geologic map for a specific area, together with explanations and descriptive texts. Some of the atlases highlight locations of specific mineral and industry resources.

Records of the Health and Safety Branch

70.18 Correspondence and other records relating to safety in mining operations, 1910-11 (1 ft.), concern both general field work and work in the Bureau's experimental mine at Bruceton, PA. Among the specific topics covered are tunneling, mine air and gases, and tests of electrical and safety apparatus within mines. Included are form reports of chemical laboratory tests of mine air samples. Most of the documentation is for the year 1911. These records, which are arranged by decimal classification numbers 413-434, were withdrawn from the Bureau's general correspondence and placed in their own discrete file.

Segregated Cartographic and Photographic Records

70.19 Most of the **maps and plans of Bureau of Mines sites, plants, and equipment** collected and/or created by the Bureau originated after 1913. Ex-

ceptions are printed maps of mining districts in Placer County and Shasta County, CA, 1889-1904 (14 items), and a printed map of Wardner Mines located in the Coeur d'Alene mining district, ID, 1903 (1 item). For the most part, the cartographic records are arranged alphabetically by name of State, but there is also a group of miscellaneous and unidentified items.

70.20 General photographic files, ca. 1910-78 (**G, GP**), show Bureau equipment, buildings, research and experimental projects, and personnel. Included are photographs of buildings at installations in Arizona, California, Colorado, Kansas, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming, although most of these probably were taken after 1912. Also included are pictures of mines, mining operations, types of mining equipment, types of minerals, safety techniques, mine communities, and miners. In this group are photographs of the mine-safety cars. A subject index (**GX**) covering some of the photographs is available.

Record Group 79

RECORDS OF THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

The roads in the Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming, Yosemite and Sequoia in California, and Crater Lake in Oregon, are of such character and are used to such an extent by persons on horseback and in vehicles to which horses are attached, that to permit them to be used by automobiles would prove dangerous to life and limb.

Memorandum, W.P. Acker, Assistant Attorney to First Assistant Secretary, March 12, 1909, Central File, 1907-39, 12-0-1, General, Miscellaneous, Pt. 2, RG 79, National Archives.

INTRODUCTION

79.1 The National Park Service (NPS) was established in the Department of the Interior by an act of August 25, 1916, to administer the national parks and monuments previously maintained under the direct supervision of the Secretary of the Interior. These areas included the Hot Springs Reservation in Arkansas, a unique facility that was made a national park in 1921. Before the establishment of the Park Service, duties relating to the national parks and monuments were performed by the Office of the Secretary of the Interior. Most of the work was carried out by the Patents and Miscellaneous Division until 1907 and thereafter by the Miscellaneous Section of the Office of the Chief Clerk.

79.2 By 1900 Congress had set aside lands for five national parks. The first of these, Yellowstone, was established by an act of March 1, 1872. In 1890, Congress passed legislation creating General Grant (Kings Canyon), Sequoia, and Yosemite, all in California. In 1899 Mount Rainier was established in Washington. The special characteristics of these areas are clearly represented in the National Park Service definition of national parks as "spacious land areas essentially of primitive or wilderness character which contain scenery and natural wonders so outstanding in quality that their preservation intact has been provided for by their having been designated and set aside by the Federal Government for the benefit, enjoyment, and inspiration of the people."

79.3 An act of June 8, 1906, entitled "An Act For the preservation of American antiquities," authorized the President to set apart by proclamation as national monuments lands owned or controlled by the United States containing "historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest." Although not identified as such, the first national monument had actually been established in 1889, when the ruin of a massive four-story building that had been constructed by Indians who had lived in the Gila Valley some 600 years before was designated the Casa Grande Ruin Reservation. While Casa Grande fit the definition of a national monument as stated in the Antiquities Act, it was considered a national park until 1918, when it was redesignated a national monument.

79.4 By the time the National Park Service began operations, the parks system under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior included 17 parks and 21 national monuments. Not all monuments were administered by the Interior Department, however. Until 1933, monuments were administered by the executive department having jurisdiction over the areas concerned. Although most monuments were administered by the Department of the Interior, some were supervised by the Department of Agriculture and some by the War Department.

79.5 Executive Order 6166 of June 10, 1933, effected the consolidation of all Federal park activities under the National Park Service. The expanded Park Service was in charge of the national monuments formerly administered by the Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture and the national monuments, national military parks, national battlefield parks and sites, and some national cemeteries formerly administered by the War Department. The functions of a number of commissions active in Washington, DC, were also transferred to the National Park Service giving it responsibility for some Federal buildings outside the District of Columbia. In 1939, responsibility for these public buildings was transferred to the new Public Buildings Administration of the Federal Works Agency.

79.6 The Historic Sites, Buildings, Objects, and Antiquities Act of August 21, 1935, generally referred to as the Historic Sites Act of 1935, provided for the establishment of national historic sites, including some owned by private organizations. Other types of areas that have been established under the supervision of the Service are national historical parks, national memorials, a national memorial park, national parkways, national recreation areas, and national seashores.

79.7 The 1935 act also established an Advisory Board on National Parks, Historic Sites, Buildings, and Monuments. The Secretary of the Interior was empowered, through the National Park Service, to conduct a nationwide survey of historic American sites, buildings, objects, and antiquities. Cooperative agreements could be made with States and with local and private agencies for the development and administration of historical areas of national interest, regardless of whether titles to the properties were vested in the United States.

79.8 The Historic Sites Act of 1935 also established the Historic American Buildings Survey as a long-range program of the National Park Service. Originally initiated in 1933 by the Civil Works Administration as a project to provide employment for needy architects and draftsmen, by January 1993 the Survey had collected exact physical records of nearly 30,000 antique buildings and other structures determined to have historical or architectural significance. An extension of the HABS program, the Historic American Engineering Record (HAER), was established in 1969 to record historic engineering and industrial structures. The records of the National Park Service generated by these two surveys constitute Record Group 515, Records of the Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS)/Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) Division, which is the subject of a separate chapter of this guide.

79.9 The National Park Service, under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, is responsible for all aspects of park administration, but increasing emphasis has been placed on research and educational work known collectively as "interpretation." In an undated memo outlining the functions and policies of the National Park Service, Stephen T. Mather, the Agency's first director, drew the conclusion that Congress, by making the National Park Service responsible for protecting and preserving the national parks and national monuments under its jurisdiction "as nearly in their natural state as this can be done," had "intended that these extraordinary works of nature when withheld from utilitarian development should be regarded as museums" having "great educational value," becoming "more and more important in the field of education and scientific research as they become better known."

79.10 The educational and scientific values of the parks and monuments are enhanced through the "interpretation" functions. This work includes the management of guided tours and lectures, the maintenance of museums and libraries, and the preparation of publications and studies in history, archeology, natural history, and wildlife. For many western parks, monuments, and other historical sites established after 1913, the files relating to the "interpretation" functions are the most likely source, in this record group, for information on the pre-1913 history of the areas.

79.11 The records described in this chapter are those accumulated or created by the Washington office of the National Park Service, the regions, or other field units of the Park Service that either originated before 1913 or are most likely to contain information about park-related activities or sites prior to 1913. Included are descriptions of records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior relating to national parks and monuments, 1872-1916; records of the War Department relating to areas transferred to the Park Service; records of the Mississippi River Parkway Survey; records of the National Park System Advisory Board; and records of the Battle of New Orleans Sesquicentennial Celebration Commission, 1963-66, and the National Parks Centennial Commission, 1970-73. Also discussed are pertinent cartographic and photographic records that are maintained apart from the textual records.

79.12 In addition to the HABS/HAER records constituting Record Group 515, related records are found in other record groups. Record Group 287, Publications of the U.S. Government, includes historical studies and other publications issued by the National Park Service. Record Group 48, Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, includes additional records for the period from 1872 through 1916, when the Secretary had immediate responsibility for park administration, and for the period since 1916, when the Secretary has had supervisory control over the Park Service. Information about those records is included in *The Trans-Mississippi West, 1894-1912: Part IV, A Guide to Records of the Department of the Interior for the Territorial Period, Section 1, Records of the Offices of the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of Railroads*.

79.13 Records concerning surveys of the Yellowstone region and some other areas later set aside as parks are in Record Group 57, Records of the U.S. Geological Survey, while records of the former General Land Office relating to park lands are found in Record Group 49, Records of the Bureau of Land Management. Information about national monuments administered by the Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture can be found in Record Group 95, Records of the Forest Service, which is discussed in *The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-12: Part III, A Guide to Records of the Department of Agriculture for the Territorial Period*. War Department records relating to the use of troops in national parks until 1919 and the administration of areas transferred to the National Park Service in 1933 are in Record Group 77, Records of the Office of the Chief of Engineers; Record Group 92, Records of the Office of the Quartermaster General; Record Group 94, Records of the Adjutant General's Office; Record Group 98, Records of United States Army Commands, 1784-1821; Record Group 107, Records of the Office of the Secretary of War; Record Group 153, Records of the Office of The Judge Advocate General (Army); and Record Group 393, Records of United States Army Continental Commands, 1821-1920. Records relating to legislation concerning the national parks can be found in the records of the Senate and House Committees on Public Lands in Record Group 46, Records of the United States Senate, and Record Group 233, Records of the United States House of Representatives, respectively.

79.14 Most of the records that are discussed in this chapter are described in some detail in *Preliminary Inventory of the Records of the National Park Service* (PI 166), compiled by Edward E. Hill and published in 1966. Also discussed here are some records accessioned into the National Archives of the United States after 1966.

79.15 Editorial Note: Many records included in Record Group 79 originated after 1912, and they are not described in this chapter. Researchers interested in the pre-1913 period should not summarily disregard the later records, however. While it may not be readily apparent from series titles, some of those records, in addition to the series discussed below, may contain information of a historical nature that could be useful. Photographic records maintained apart from the textual records are usually identified by alphabetic designators instead of series titles. The designators are shown in parentheses.

PREDECESSOR RECORDS

RECORDS OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR RELATING TO NATIONAL PARKS AND MONUMENTS, 1872-1916

79.16 Described below (79.17-79.22) are records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior relating to the administration of parks and monuments before the establishment of the National Park Service. These include records that were transferred to the National Park Service but were kept apart from the records created by the Park Service. Other records, 1907-16, removed from the central classified files of the Office of the Secretary were incorporated into equivalent series of records of the National Park Service (79.24 and 79.31). Additional records, chiefly copies of letters sent, 1872-1907, that could not be easily segregated, are in Record Group 48, Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior.

79.17 Letters received by the Office of the Secretary of the Interior relating to national parks, 1872-1907 (44 ft.), are arranged alphabetically by name of park and thereunder chronologically by date of receipt. Occasionally some records on a particular subject or, infrequently, from a particular source are grouped together. Records are available for the following parks for the years indicated: Crater Lake, 1902-7; Hot Springs Reservation, 1877-1907; Mesa Verde, 1906-7; Mount Rainier, 1900-1907; Platt (Sulphur Springs Reservation), 1901-7; Sequoia and General Grant, 1890-1907; Sully's Hill, 1904-6; Wind Cave, 1899-1907; Yellowstone, 1872-1907; and Yosemite, 1890-1907. Some letters concerning Yellowstone National Park, 1872-86, have been reproduced by the National Archives as part of Microfilm Publication M62. For some parks, a few documents are dated earlier or later than the years indicated. At the end of the series are records relating to the Casa Grande Ruins, various national monuments, proposed parks and monuments, antiquities, and other subjects.

79.18 Most of the letters that make up this series were received by the Patents and Miscellaneous Division of the Office of the Secretary, but some were received by the Lands and Railroads, Indian Territory, and other Divisions. Included, usually as enclosures to the incoming letters, are maps, plans, specifications, contracts, leases, bonds, bids, petitions, affidavits, memorandums, copies of letters sent, photographs, newspaper clippings, printed documents, estimates, vouchers, receipts, payrolls, financial state-

ments, and other records. Most of the letters are from park superintendents, but also included are letters from the President, Members of Congress, the War Department, the General Land Office, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Department of Agriculture, the Geological Survey, forest rangers, special investigators, members of commissions, residents in and near park areas, concession operators and applicants for concessions, attorneys, applicants for employment, members of conservation societies, and others. The letters concern the establishment of parks and related legislation; appropriations; rules and regulations; surveys and boundaries; construction, maintenance, use, and management of facilities; concessions to private operators; fire control; protection of animals and scenic attractions; intruders on park lands; claims of persons to land or other resources in park areas; investigations; administrative matters; and many other subjects. For some parks, records are found on subjects of special importance, such as the protection of the buffalo at Yellowstone National Park and the use of water from Yosemite National Park by the city of San Francisco. Most of the letters have an endorsement on the back or on a cover sheet, giving information about the letter and the action taken on it.

79.19 Other early correspondence of the Office of the Secretary relating to national parks and related legislation and legal matters before the National Park Service was established is included in the records of the Chief Clerk (79.22).

79.20 Except during the earliest years, letters were assigned file numbers by the division of the Office of the Secretary that handled them. Usually such numbers were assigned in the order of receipt, beginning again each year, without subject or other breakdown. In July 1905 the Patents and Miscellaneous Division began numbering letters relating to parks and reservations separately, establishing an index and registers to control them (see 76.21). Earlier letters received concerning parks and reservations were not registered and indexed separately, and the registers and indexes for them are among the records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior (RG 48). Record copies of letters sent by the Secretary relating to parks are also in Record Group 48 because they are in bound volumes and could not be segregated easily.

79.21 Beginning in 1905 pertinent incoming letters were recorded in **registers of letters received by the Patents and Miscellaneous Division relating to national parks and reservations, 1905-7** (2 vols., 4 in.). Entries for individual letters are arranged chronologically by date of receipt and show file number and heading, date of receipt, name and address of writer, date and subject of letter, indication of action taken, and often cross-references to related records. To facilitate retrieval of the letters, the Division maintained an **index to letters received, 1905-7** (1 vol., 3 in.), giving the years and file numbers of letters received from individuals and offices and of letters concerning certain subjects. For letters relating to specific parks and some other subjects, a further breakdown by subject is provided. The entries are arranged alphabetically by name or subject. Black ink is used for file references to letter writers and red ink for references to subjects.

79.22 Correspondence, reports, memorandums, legal opinions, congressional documents, maps, and other records, mostly copies, make up the **records of the Office of the Chief Clerk of the Department of the Interior, 1887-1916** (1 ft.). Many of the documents relate to legislation and legal questions. Materials are arranged alphabetically by name of park or other area, with some general records arranged by subject. Included are files for Hot Springs, Mesa Verde, Mount Rainier, Platt, Sequoia, Yellowstone, Wind Cave, and Yosemite.

Records of the War Department Relating to National Parks, 1892-1937

79.23 The **War Department Records, 1892-1937** (37 ft.), that were transferred to the National Park Service in about 1937 include correspondence, memorandums, narrative and statistical reports, historical summaries, copies of contracts and leases, estimates, specifications, bids, requisitions, purchase orders, sales bills, vouchers, time sheets, payrolls, maps, plans, photographs, clippings, and congressional documents relating to military parks, cemeteries, monuments, and other areas that were under the supervision of the War Department until 1933. Also included are records from the Offices of the Chief of Engineers, the Quartermaster General, and Quartermaster Supply Officer, quartermaster offices in corps areas, quartermaster depots, and park officials. Records relate to the establishment of areas, acquisition of land, construction (especially of monuments and markers), restoration, supplies, equipment, maintenance, personnel, and other subjects, and are arranged alphabetically by name of area with some general records at the end, thereunder by office or origin, and thereunder according to the office filing system--usually a

modification of the decimal classification system of the Quartermaster Corps. Some War Department records have been interfiled with the central classified files of the Park Service (79.31). Most of the War Department areas were located east of the Mississippi River, but some records exist for the Big Hole Battlefield National Monument in Montana and the Cabrillo National Monument in California.

RECORDS OF THE NPS CENTRAL OFFICE

General Records

79.24 Two large general correspondence files make up the bulk of the records of the National Park Service. For the years 1907-25, the **central files, 1907-39** (180 ft.), constitute the principal series of records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior and the National Park Service relating to national parks. A few records are dated before 1907. Beginning in 1925, the central files were gradually replaced by the **central classified files, 1907-49** (1,637 ft.), as the main series of records of the National Park Service. Since the two series overlap chronologically, there is no immediate way of determining in which series a particular file is located. For the most part, the kinds of documents making up the two series are similar: letters received and copies of letters sent, memorandums, narrative and statistical reports, contracts, bonds, permits, maps, plats, photographs, vouchers, estimates, clippings, press releases, and publications. Document types found in one series only are noted below.

79.25 Although most of the correspondence in the two series is with park superintendents and other field officials, some is with the President, the Secretary and other officials of the Department of the Interior, Members of Congress, the War Department, the General Land Office, the Bureau of Public Roads, other Federal departments and bureaus, State and local officials, and forest rangers. Other correspondents represented include concessionaires and leaseholders; applicants for concessions and permits; manufacturers and merchants; contractors; shippers; members of conservation societies, similar organizations, and scholarly institutions; persons residing in and near park areas; park visitors; applicants for employment; and others.

79.26 The central files consist of records that were originally filed under the classification system used in the Office of the Secretary and some records designated with the decimal classifications developed by the Park Service. Included are letters received and copies of letters sent by the Office of the Secretary of the Interior until 1917 and thereafter by the Park Service. Other documents peculiar to this series are affidavits, specifications, tables, financial statements, bulletins, and processed procedural material.

79.27 The files for the most part are arranged alphabetically by name of park and thereunder alphabetically by subject. Included are records concerning the following parks west of the Mississippi River: Crater Lake, Glacier, Grand Canyon, Hot Springs, Lassen Volcanic, Mesa Verde, Mount McKinley, Mount Rainier, Platt, Rocky Mountain, Sequoia (including General Grant), Sully's Hill, Wind Cave, Yellowstone, Yosemite, and Zion. Also included are records concerning Petrified Forest, Pinnacles, and Tumacacori National Monuments and general records not relating to a specific area.

79.28 This series of records covers a broad range of subjects. Typical headings are administration, appropriations, automobiles, boundaries, buildings, complaints, disbursing clerk, employment, expenditures, fires, inspection and investigations, lands, legislation, maps, museums, nature study, privileges (concessions, leases, permits, and the like), publications, receipts and revenues, repairs and improvements, reports, roads, robbery, rules and regulations, sanitation, supplies, telephone and telegraph service, timber, travel, troops, vouchers, water supply, and wild animals. The individual documents filed under each heading are arranged chronologically.

79.29 Many of the headings have subheadings, also arranged alphabetically. For example, the records for Crater Lake National Park that are filed under the heading "Boundaries" include a file labeled "Field notes of Survey 1903" that contains the actual field notes of a survey of the park boundaries conducted by Carl R. Caudle from July through September, 1903. Likewise, the Yellowstone National Park records under the heading "Robbery" include a file with the rather misleading subtitle "Stagecoach holdup." The documents in this file show that on August 24, 1908, several tourist coaches, surreys, and spring wagons were held up by a lone gunman on foot who robbed the passengers of money, watches, and jewelry totaling more than $2,000. The passengers met that evening and passed resolutions protesting the lack of adequate protection in the park and urging Congress to provide funding for a protective force large enough to thoroughly police the park. One of the resolutions com-

mended a college student for his behavior during the "trying ordeal through which he passed this morning while holding the bag in which the contributions were dropped." The resolutions were printed under the title "Souvenir List of Yellowstone Park holdup Victims" and sold for 25 cents. The souvenir gives the names and addresses of the victims and their losses.

79.30 A complete list of subject headings and subheadings with the years covered by each is available for researcher use in the National Archives at College Park, MD.

79.31 The central classified files overlap chronologically the series of central files described above. As noted, the contents of the two series are similar, but these records are arranged in accordance with a decimal classification system that was introduced in 1925 but was not fully implemented for several more years. Many older files were converted to the decimal system, but some records continued to be filed in the central files under the old system. Records peculiar to this series are minutes, opinions, decisions, congressional bills and documents, printed copies of acts of Congress, bulletins, orders, circulars, charts, manuals, schedules, addresses, completed questionnaires, justifications, and requisitions. Some records of commissions and special officers and some records transferred from the War Department have been incorporated.

79.32 In this series are segments for general records, records concerning regional offices, records relating to each park filed in alphabetical order, and records relating specifically or in general to monuments, historical parks, memorial parks, military parks, battlefield sites and parks, historic sites, memorials, cemeteries, parkways, recreational areas, National Capital Parks, and historic sites not federally owned. The records filed in the general records and regional office segments are arranged according to the decimal classification scheme; the records for each of the other segments are arranged alphabetically by name of park or site and thereunder according to the decimal classification scheme. The table accompanying this chapter lists, under the heading "Central Office," the established areas west of the Mississippi River for which records are found in this series.

79.33 The records for each segment are filed under the following ten major decimal classifications:

000 General
100 History and Legislation
200 Administration and Personnel
300 Appropriations, Finance, and Accounts
400 Supplies and Equipment
500 Publicity and Statistics
600 Lands, Buildings, Roads, and Trails
700 Flora, Fauna, Natural Phenomena, Antiquities, and Sciences
800 Protection, Service to Public, and Forestry
900 Concessions

Each of the decimal classifications given above has numerous subclassifications. Records assigned to the 100 classification, the most obvious source of information about the history of each park, can be filed under the following subheadings: 101 History (General); 101-01 Dedications; 120 Legislation; 120-01 House bills; 120-02 Senate bills; and 120-05 Acts. Other file classifications that may prove fruitful are 501-02 Magazine articles; 501-03 Newspaper articles; 501-04 Special articles on national parks; 740 Antiquities (General); 740-01 Anthropology; 740-02 Archeology; and 740-02.3 Researches. Within each decimal classification the records are often subdivided by more specific subjects or by names of parks, individuals, States, Government agencies, or other appropriate headings, most frequently in alphabetical order.

79.34 Perhaps the most interesting materials, due to the variety of sites involved, are found under the "General" decimal classification in the proposed site files: 0-32 Proposed Parks; 0-35 Proposed Monuments; 0-36 Proposed National Historical Parks; and 0-37 Proposed National Military Parks. Usually the records within each decimal classification include a general or miscellaneous file and a group of files arranged alphabetically by name of State and/or site.

79.35 Many of the proposals in the files either include background information on the site or are accompanied by reports or publications concerning the history of the site. In 1932, for example, the Chamber of Commerce of Scottsbluff, NE, recommended the establishment of an Oregon Trail National Park Area covering sites between Bridgeport in western Nebraska and Lake Guernsey in eastern Wyoming. The 12-page illustrated proposal listed the major landmarks and historic places that could be included in the park and discussed their importance in terms of the westward movement. The Park Service historian who reviewed the proposal suggested that a more appropriate name for the area would be the Oregon Trail National Historic Parkway. The Scottsbluff proposal ultimately was rejected, but in 1978 the Oregon Na-

tional Historic Trail, covering about 2,000 miles and 482 historic places, was authorized.

79.36 When a recommendation was adopted, the proposed site file usually was removed from the "General" decimal classification segment and inserted at the beginning of the alphabetical segment of the file that was created for the new site. These files, often labeled "general," contain documents that were not filed under more specific decimal file classifications. Perhaps the most extreme example of this type of file is the 13-part "0-35" file (ca. 2 1/2 ft.) preceding the records for the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial, which was established in St. Louis, MO, to commemorate Thomas Jefferson and others involved in the territorial expansion of the United States.

79.37 It should be noted that the "General" segment in this series includes a classification, 0-33, for State parks, and that other series in this record group relate to emergency conservation work in State parks during the Great Depression.

Records of Select Administrative Units

The Branch of Engineering

79.38 The Branch of Engineering was a successor to the Engineering Division, established in 1917. The Division's headquarters was located at different cities and parks in the West until 1927, when it was moved to San Francisco to become part of the newly established Field Headquarters. In 1933 the Engineering Division was renamed the Branch of Engineering, and four years later the Branch was moved to Washington, DC. The Branch was in charge of engineering work in the parks and monuments, especially construction work, although major road projects were directed by the Bureau of Public Roads. Two series of records from this Branch document one of the earliest and most famous conservation controversies, the construction of a reservoir in Yosemite National Park.

79.39 Records relating to the Hetch Hetchy Project, 1901-34 (2 ft.), arranged in part by type of record and in part in rough chronological order, consist of correspondence and copies of correspondence of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, the National Park Service, and the Advisory Board of Army Engineers; hearings; reports; photographs; blueprint profiles; and copies of legislative bills relating to the use of Hetch Hetchy Valley in Yosemite National Park as a reservoir by the city of San Francisco. Also included in this series are a few unbound documents that are similar to those among the bound **reports on the water supply of San Francisco and neighboring areas, 1902-12** (55 vols., 7 ft.), most of which were prepared by engineers for the city of San Francisco and the Spring Valley Water Company in connection with the controversy over the use of Hetch Hetchy Valley by the city of San Francisco. Some reports are printed; others, typewritten. Most of the reports include photographs, tables, and maps, with some estimates, rebuttals to reports, and other records that are not strictly reports interspersed. For the most part, the reports are arranged by assigned number. Other records relating to Hetch Hetchy and the San Francisco water supply are among the Yosemite National Park segments of the correspondence series described above (79.17, 79.26, and 79.31).

The History Division and Its Predecessors

79.40 The historical functions of the National Park Service were initially vested in the Branch of Research and Education, established in 1930. In 1931 a subordinate Division of History was established. Through the years this unit underwent numerous organizational and name changes, becoming the History Division for the first time in 1948. Subsequent titles included Branch of History, History and Archaeology Division, History Studies Division, and History Branch. In 1978 it was once again designated the History Division.

79.41 General correspondence and reference materials constitute the **subject files, 1926-70** (10 ft.), of the History Division. Included are records of National Park Service conferences on interpretive services, antiquities legislation, and visitors services; talks by division officials on the Civil War and religious life in national parks; bibliographies on National Park Service history and the South; historical studies on topics such as the U.S. Army Camel Corps, the fur trade, and the homes of famous Americans; correspondence and publications from private historical, preservation, and environmental groups; and records documenting agency policy towards restoration, preservation, and stabilization. For the most part, the records are arranged alphabetically by subject, some of the more relevant of which are the following: Camel Corps, U.S. Army; Chihuahua Trail; Chinook Wind; Fortifications; Fur Trade; Fur Trading Posts; Furnishing; Historic Houses; Historic Sites; Historic Structures; Homes of Famous Americans; Homes of the Old

South; Horses, U.S. Army; Lakes and Rivers, American; Military History of the U.S.; Overland Migration; Post Offices; Restored Historic Villages; Saddles; Southern Plains Indian Museum; State Historic Sites; State Parks; Tomahawks; Trade Guns; U.S. Historical and Architectural Monuments; Villages Restored and Reconstructed, U.S.; Water Resources; West; and Yellowstone. Although the bulk of the materials in this series cover the period 1935-70, some items dated as early as 1926 are found among the copies of publications issued by the National Park Service, public agencies, and private groups relating to parks, preservation, and environmental issues, which are filed at the end of the series.

79.42 In 1935, the Historical Division, formerly the Division of History, was elevated to branch status and renamed the Branch of Historic Sites and Buildings. Its mission was to oversee the National Survey of Historic Sites and Buildings authorized by the Historic Sites Act of 1935. By 1943, the Survey had identified and documented 560 historic sites and 334 prehistoric sites that, under terms of the act, commemorated or illustrated the nation's history. Survey operations were suspended during World War II and were not resumed until the establishment of a register of national historic sites was begun in 1960. The Survey generated three series of records that are relevant to this guide.

79.43 The original form reports, recorded on 5- by 8-inch **historic sites survey cards, 1934-37** (4 ft.), list for each site the site's name and location, its owner's name and address, and the period in American history the site represented, and give a description of the site and a brief statement regarding its importance. Other data recorded include information about the condition and care of the site, whether it was open to the public, bibliographic references to the site, and references to published photographs and maps. Small photographs are attached to some of the cards. The cards are arranged alphabetically by State and thereunder alphabetically by site.

79.44 The Survey also produced a series of **theme survey sheets for Western States, 1958-65** (1 ft.), which place individual sites in the context of broad historical themes such as the following: Early Indian Farmers, Spanish Exploration and Settlement, Westward Expansion, Political and Military Affairs, Indigenous Peoples and Cultures, Agriculture, Commerce and Industry, Travel and Communications, Conservation of Natural Resources, and Arts and Sciences. The forms show State, theme, name of site, acreage, exact location, name and address of owner, narrative description and importance of site, bibliographic references, and the condition and use of site. Maps and photographs are attached to some of the forms. The forms are arranged by theme, thereunder by State, and thereunder alphabetically by name of site. The series includes forms for California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington.

79.45 More significant quantities of material are found in the **State files, 1935-79** (10 ft.). Consisting of correspondence and reports for each State, these files include copies of legislation with related comments, pamphlets and brochures on historic sites, photographs of buildings and archeological sites, and historical and architectural studies. The files are arranged alphabetically by State, with the amount of material varying greatly from State to State. Some of the more interesting items are identified below:

1. **Arizona:** The files for Utah include a copy of C. Gregory Crampton's "Report on the History and Historic Sites of Southeastern Utah and Parts of Northern Arizona" (1964).

2. **California:** Included in the report files are photographs of Fort Ross and a copy of a 1966 printed report on a Civil War landmark, "L.A. County Historic Areas Study: Drum Barracks."

3. **Idaho:** The report files include material on Cassia City of Rocks; the first Presbyterian church in Moscow; the chapel at Fort Sherman; Old Fort Boise; Packer John's cabin; and H.H. Spalding and the Lapwai mission. Also available is a history of the Sawtooth Mountain area coauthored by Victor O. Goodwin, of the Forest Service, and John Hussey, of the National Park Service, and published in 1965.

4. **Kansas:** The report files include copies of several items worth noting, among them an account of the Baxter Springs massacre, by Dudley T. Cornish, Professor, Kansas State College of Pittsburg; "The Historical Significance of the Cherokee Strip," by Elizabeth Cochran, Professor Emerita (History), Kansas State College; "Report on Historical Investigation of Eleven Areas in Kansas Proposed for National Recognition," by Merrill J. Mattes, NPS regional historian, covering Alcove Springs, Cimarron Crossing, Fort Hays, Fort Larned, Fort Wallace, Huron Cemetery, Medicine Lodge Treaty grounds, Rock City, Santa Fe Trail remains, Shawnee Mission, and Waconda Springs (1955); "Preliminary Report on Historic Sites of Kansas in the Missouri River Basin" (1956), by Ray H. Mattison, NPS regional historian; *A Survey of His-*

toric Sites and Structures in Kansas, published by the Kansas State Historical Society in 1957; and a printed study, "A Historical Outline of Grinter Place From 1825-1878," compiled by Harry E. Hanson.

5. **Louisiana:** The files include material on Jackson Barracks, New Orleans.

6. **Minnesota:** The files include field investigation reports of the Lower Sioux Agency; Birch Coulee Battlefield; Itasca State Park; State parks, monuments, and waysides; Chippewa-Sioux conflicts in the 18th century; Fort Beauharnois; Redwood Agency and Fort Ridgely; Camden State Park; and Fort St. Charles. Also included are additional materials on Fort Ridgely; an annotated printed copy of an address given by Robert K. Boyd called "The Battle of Birch Coulee, a wounded man's description of a battle with the Indians"; and "The Battle of Birch Cooley as Described by Two of the Participants--J.J. Egan and Rob't. Boyd," printed in 1926 in connection with the 64th anniversary of the battle; "Pioneer Life in Renville County: Hardships, Privations, and Success of the Builders of Our Country as Told by Pioneers of 50 Years Ago;" and a report, chiefly photographs, titled "Mississippi Valley Parkway in Minnesota: Legends of, State Parks, Cities, Lake Regions."

7. **Missouri:** The reports cover the skirmish at Athens; Maramec Iron Works; the marine hospital in St. Louis; Thespian Hall, Boonville; the birthplace of Saline County; and Lone Jack battlefield (August 16, 1862). Also included are materials on Fort San Carlos battleground and the village of St. Louis, and a report called "A documented account of the Birthplace of the System of Education established in North America in 1818 by the Society of the Sacred Heart," Academy of the Sacred Heart, St. Charles, MO.

8. **Montana:** The reports include information on historic sites in the Missouri River basin, Marias Pass, Fort Conrad, Hell Gate near Missoula, and Fort C.F. Smith. Information on the latter site consists of excerpts from James D. Lockwood's *Life and Adventures of a Drummer Boy or Seven Years a Soldier* (Albany, NY: John Skinner, 1893).

9. **Nebraska:** The files include reports on sod houses of the Western Plains, by Regina M. Schmidt; "Pioneering on the Niobrara at Meadville," by Harry B. Robinson and Nellie B. Hulshizer; Fort Hartsuff; and the Platte River Valley from Bridgeport, NE, to Guernsey, WY.

10. **New Mexico:** The correspondence file includes information on San Miguel de Carnue (Rancho de Carnue).

11. **North Dakota:** The files include a "Report on the Survey and Evaluation of Historical and Archeological Sites in North Dakota" (1965), by Ray H. Mattison, and *Historic Sites of North Dakota: A Report on Their Preservation, Development, and Interpretation* (1967), prepared by Russell W. Fridley for the State Historical Society of North Dakota.

12. **Oklahoma:** The files include a carbon typescript of a survey of places of historical interest, prepared by the Oklahoma State Planning Board, that contains transcripts of articles written by Muriel H. Wright and others for the *Daily Oklahoman*, 1933-34.

13. **South Dakota:** The files include photographs of the old blacksmith shop at Fort Bennett and of St. John's Episcopal Church and rectory at the Cheyenne River Indian Agency.

14. **Utah:** The files include the copy of C. Gregory Crampton's "Report on the History and Historic Sites of Southeastern Utah and Parts of Northern Arizona" (1964) cited for Arizona.

15. **Wyoming:** The files include a copy of an "Evaluation of Atlantic City Goldfield, Wyoming, Natural Area for Eligibility for the Registry of National Landmarks" (1963), by Ray H. Mattison.

Records of the Mississippi River Parkway Survey

79.46 The Mississippi River Parkway Survey was established by an act of Congress of August 24, 1949, to investigate the feasibility of constructing a parkway from the source of the Mississippi River in Minnesota to its delta in Louisiana and was conducted jointly by the National Park Service and the Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Commerce, in close cooperation with the Mississippi River Parkway Commission. The Commission, composed of some 80 members appointed by the Governors of the States along the river, had earlier fostered the parkway proposal. A major function of the Survey was the cataloging of historic and archeological sites within 50 miles of each side of the Mississippi River that might be incorporated in the parkway or to which the parkway might give access.

79.47 Two series of records document the Survey's work. Most significant are the two types of **inventory forms, ca. 1949-51** (1 ft.), compiled by the Survey, which contain information on recreational or historic areas and sites within approximately 50 miles of the Mississippi River. "Analysis of Area Investigation" forms give the name of the area, its acreage, its distance from the river, the name of the nearest town,

the land's ownership status, the name of the administering agency, the site's general physical characteristics, a description of facilities, and other similar types of information. The "Historical Inventory" forms give the name of the site, its location, history, and importance, a description of the physical setting and structure or its remains, the site's state of development, the name of the owner and the administering agency or sponsor, and an assessment of the site's parkway possibilities. The forms are arranged alphabetically by name of State, thereunder by type of form, and thereunder either alphabetically by name of area or site, numerically by area or site number, or alphabetically by name of county. Forms are available for Arkansas, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota, and Missouri. A small quantity of **miscellaneous records, 1916-58** (1 in.), includes documents relating to a proposed Upper Mississippi River National Park, a study by Charles H. Young on the proposed Mississippi River Parkway, and copies of "The Mississippi River Parkway Survey," a newsletter produced by the Survey.

Records of the National Park System Advisory Board

79.48 The National Park System Advisory Board was established in 1976 as successor to the Advisory Board on National Parks, Historic Sites, Buildings, and Monuments. The Board's mission was to advise the Secretary of the Interior on matters relating to the administration of the National Park System and the Historic Sites Act as amended. Its **correspondence relating to national historic landmarks, 1974-86** (4 in.), may include some relevant information. The records consist chiefly of letters received from the public, preservation groups, municipal officials, other Government agencies, and property owners commenting on the proposed designation of national historic landmarks.

General Cartographic and Photographic Records

79.49 The earliest cartographic records concerning the national parks west of the Mississippi River are **maps accompanying reports of superintendents of National Parks to the Secretary of the Interior, 1905-8** (2 items). These consist of a published topographic map of Yellowstone National Park and part of the adjoining forest reserve, showing roads and trails and the locations of snowshoe cabins and stations, 1905; and a published copy of a sketch map of Sequoia and General Grant National Parks and the Sierra Forest Reserve in the immediate vicinity, showing roads and proposed trails, 1908. Like the photographic records described below, these maps are filed apart from the textual records.

79.50 Photographic records include images of western scenes dating from the 1860's. The Louisa Bellinger Collection, ca. 1866-80 (**BC**), consists of albumen prints photographed by Timothy O'Sullivan, William Bell, Carleton Watkins, and William Henry Jackson. Most of the images in this collection were taken by O'Sullivan and Bell during the King and Wheeler surveys of Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, and Utah. Also included are photographs by Jackson of railroads, and several Watkins images taken of places in California: Yosemite, Mount Shasta, San Francisco, and Monterey. Photographs of the Hayden Survey, 1871-72 (**JAG, JAH**), are albertypes made from negatives taken by Jackson during the Survey of areas in Idaho, Montana, Utah, and Wyoming.

79.51 The general photographic file, ca. 1880-1962 (**G**), of the National Park Service consists of eight collections covering historical sites, national parks, recreational areas, battlefields, monuments, parkways, and Park Service employees. The earliest images are in the Frank J. Haynes Collection, chiefly photographs of areas in Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks made by Haynes and his son. Included are pictures of Jim Bridger and Harry Yount, and a group of buffalo bone pickers on the Dakota plains, ca. 1878. Also available are six photomechanical reproduction images of bison herds in the 1870's (**M**).

79.52 The Henry G. Peabody Collection, 1890-1937 (**HPA, HPM, HPP, HPS**), includes prints, negatives, transparencies, and lantern slides taken by Pasadena, CA, photographer Henry G. Peabody to illustrate lectures. The images primarily show scenic views of national parks but also include pictures of monuments; historic sites and landmarks; cities and villages; California missions; natural features of land in several States, Canada, and Mexico; and American Indians.

79.53 Other pertinent collections include glass negatives taken by Park Service personnel of scenes in national parks, historic sites, monuments, wildlife, park officials, American Indians, and tourists, 1887-1932 (**PGN**); photographs of State and national parks, 1900-45 (**NP, MI**); and portraits of Maj. John Wesley Powell and his family, 1859-68 (**JWP**).

RECORDS OF NPS OFFICES IN THE FIELD

79.54 In 1937 the National Park Service established four regional offices and gave them numerical designations: Richmond (I), Omaha (II), Santa Fe (III), and San Francisco (IV). In 1955 a fifth regional office was established with headquarters in Philadelphia; it was given responsibility for some of the States formerly under Regions I and II. In 1962 the National Capital Parks were made the sixth Park Service region, and the numerical designators used for the regions were dropped in favor of geographical designations: Southeast (Richmond), Midwest (Omaha), Southwest (Santa Fe), Western (San Francisco), Northeast (Philadelphia), and National Capital (Washington). More recent reorganizations resulted in the addition of the Pacific Northwest Region (Seattle) and the Rocky Mountain Region (Denver). Most of the reorganizations caused some reconfiguration of the regions, and jurisdiction over some States changed several times.

79.55 Each regional office was headed by a regional director who exercised line authority and supervision over superintendents and other officers-in-charge of the national parks, monuments, memorials, historic sites, and other Park Service areas within the region. The regional offices were small replicas of Washington headquarters, and they generated similar kinds of records, including correspondence and subject files relating to the parks and monuments within their jurisdiction. The Western Region, for example, had jurisdiction over 11 States during the period 1937-1969, and its records, which are held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Pacific Region (San Francisco), in San Bruno, CA, include files for more than 100 National Park Service sites, not all of which were within its jurisdiction. It is likely that some of these files contain significant and relevant historical data and studies.

79.56 Most field office records held by the National Archives regional facilities are from the NPS regional offices, but a few are from the parks and other field units. Many of the records, particularly those from the parks, predate the establishment of the NPS regional offices in 1937, but pre-1913 records are found for only three parks. One of these, Platt National Park, was originally established in the Chickasaw Nation in 1902 as the Sulphur Springs Reservation. The Reservation was designated Platt National Park in 1906, and in 1976 it was renamed again, becoming the Chickasaw National Recreation Area. Park records are held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Southwest Region, in Ft. Worth, TX. Included are **central files, 1903-53** (28 ft.), consisting of correspondence, narrative and statistical reports, regulations for park use, organization charts and lists of personnel, press releases, copies of speeches, circulars, bulletins, newspaper clippings, maps, photographs, and plans and specifications for buildings, bridges, roads, and other construction projects. The bulk of the correspondence was exchanged between the Park Superintendent and officials in the Park Service central office in Washington, DC, the Regional Director in Santa Fe, NM, other park superintendents, and other officials. The records, which include information about local flora and fauna, forestry and water resources, and park facilities and programs, are arranged according to the decimal classification system discussed in 79.33. Similar materials constitute the **general subject correspondence, 1903-61** (11 ft.), from Crater Lake National Park held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Pacific Alaska Region (Seattle), in Seattle, WA, and the **records of the Superintendent, 1910-53** (43 ft.), among the records of Yosemite National Park in the custody of the National Archives--Pacific Region (San Francisco).

79.57 As might be expected, most of the field records for Park Service offices and areas in States west of the Mississippi River are held by regional archives located west of the river. In addition to the three regions already discussed, records of the National Park Service are among the holdings of the National Archives and Records Administration--Central Plains Region, in Kansas City, MO; the National Archives and Records Administration--Rocky Mountain Region, in Denver, CO; and the National Archives and Records Administration--Pacific Region (Laguna Niguel), in California. The table on page 85 identifies the various Park Service sites and areas represented in the records held by the National Archives at College Park, MD, and the several regional records facilities indicated. It should be noted that in some cases where an NPS area changed status, i.e., from National Historic Site to National Monument, records for the area may actually be found for both area designations, although only one, generally the most recent, may be shown in the list.

79.58 Not all of the relevant records are held by the depositories mentioned, however. The first exception concerns records of National Park Service Region I (Richmond, VA) and Region V (Philadelphia), which

are held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Mid Atlantic Region (Center City), in Philadelphia, PA. Some relevant information about Arkansas and Louisiana is found in the records for Region I, while those for Region V (Northeast Region after 1962) may contain pertinent data on Minnesota, which was one of the States transferred to that Region from the Midwest Region (Omaha) when NPS regional boundaries were redrawn in 1972.

79.59 The second exception concerns records created at Yellowstone National Park. For over half a century at least, Yellowstone National Park has maintained research facilities at park headquarters, Mammoth Hot Springs, WY, for persons interested in the history and workings of the Nation's oldest national park. In 1978 the National Archives agreed that the park could continue to retain physical custody of some of its permanently valuable records provided they were housed and serviced in accordance with archival standards.

79.60 The records fall into two groups: those that cover the period from the establishment of the park in 1872 to the establishment of the National Park Service in 1916, and the post-1916 records. Some of the early records are particularly significant because they document the longest-lived example of a unique experiment: the military administration of the national parks. Several other parks, including Yosemite, were administered by the military, but only Yellowstone was the site of a permanent post, Fort Yellowstone, and only Yellowstone was managed by the military for more than 30 years.

79.61 The park holds the records created by the commanding officer of Fort Yellowstone in his capacity as "Acting Superintendent" of the park. These records consist of correspondence, bound reports, daily logs from various duty stations located in the park, and records dealing with specific subjects of concern to the park administration, such as wildlife, sanitation, and concession operations. Also included in the park's holdings are official diaries of park scouts and records of internments at Fort Yellowstone. These early records were microfilmed by the Montana State University and the National Park Service, and the film is available at the Yellowstone Park Reference Library; the National Park Service Reference Services Facility in Harpers Ferry, WV; the Montana State University Library, Bozeman, MT; the Montana State Historical Society, in Helena, MT; and the National Archives and Records Administration--Rocky Mountain Region, in Denver.

RELATED RECORDS

RECORDS OF THE BATTLE OF NEW ORLEANS SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION COMMISSION

79.62 Filed with the central office records of the National Park Service are the records of the Commission responsible for the celebration of the observance of the 150th anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans. Congress, by a joint resolution of October 9, 1962, established the Commission to develop and execute plans for the observance. The Commission consisted of six members appointed by the President, eight Members of the Senate, eight Members of the House of Representatives, and the Director of the National Park Service (who served as executive officer). The President designated Maj. Gen. Edward S. Bres (Ret.) as Chairman.

79.63 The resolution establishing the Commission also authorized the Secretary of the Interior to acquire specified land for addition to Chalmette National Historical Park, the site of the battle. The Park Service undertook extensive restoration work in the park before the celebration was held January 1-8, 1965.

79.64 The Commission's final report, submitted on November 30, 1965, was published under the title *Battle of New Orleans Sesquicentennial Celebration, 1815-1965*. The Commission's records consist of **"Background Files" of Edward S. Bres, 1956-63** (2 in.), containing materials on Chalmette National Historical Park, and **correspondence and other records, 1963-66** (1 ft.), including a report compiled by Major General Bres entitled "Notes on the Establishment and Development of Chalmette National Historical Park."

RECORDS OF THE NATIONAL PARKS CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

79.65 An act of Congress approved July 10, 1970, called for the establishment of a National Parks Centennial Commission to commemorate and celebrate the 100th anniversary of the national park movement signaled by the establishment of Yellowstone National Park in 1872. The Commission consisted of four Members of the Senate, four Members of the House of Representatives, the Secretary of the Interior, and six persons appointed by the President, with one of the latter designated as chairperson. The Commission was host to the Second World Conference on National Parks, which was held in September 1972 in Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks and was high-

lighted by a rededication of Yellowstone National Park on September 19. The Commission's final report was published under the title *Preserving a Heritage*.

79.66 The **general files, 1970-73** (6 ft.), reflect the Commission's three objectives: commemoration and celebration, development of public awareness, and philosophy and long-range objectives. The records are arranged under five major headings--Objective I, Objective II, Objective III, General Files, and Financial Records--and thereunder alphabetically by subject. One phase of the celebration was the establishment or dedication of parks and park areas during the centennial year. Records documenting these activities, filed under Objective I, cover ceremonies for the following: Capitol Reef National Park, UT; Guadalupe Mountains National Park, TX; Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site, AZ; Arches National Park, UT; Ozark National Scenic Riverways, MO; Whiskeytown National Recreation Area, CA; Fort Larned National Historic Site, KS; Fort Bowie National Historic Site, AZ; Herbert Hoover National Historic Site, IA; Wilson's Creek National Battlefield Park, MO; San Juan Island National Historical Park, WA; and Point Reyes National Seashore, CA.

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LOCATION OF RECORDS FOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE (NPS) AREAS IN STATES WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER HELD BY NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (NARA) FACILITIES IN THE WASHINGTON, DC, METROPOLITAN AREA AND THE REGIONS (ABBREVIATED NAMES*)

TYPES OF RECORDS AND THEIR NARA DEPOSITORIES

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AREA	CENTRAL OFFICE RECORDS	NPS AREA RECORDS	NPS REGIONAL OFFICE RECORDS**
National Parks (NP)			
Arches (see NM)			
Big Bend	CP	FW	SF
Bryce Canyon	CP		SF
Canyonlands		D	
Carlsbad Caverns	CP	D	SF
Crater Lake	CP	S	SF
General Grant	CP		
Glacier	CP		KC/SF
Grand Canyon (see also NM)	CP	LN/D	SF
Grand Teton (see also Jackson Hole NM)	CP	D	KC/SF
Hot Springs	CP	FW	P
King's Canyon	CP		SF
Lassen Volcanic	CP	SF	
Mesa Verde	CP	D	SF
Mount Ranier	CP		SF
Olympic	CP	S	SF
Petrified Forest (see also NM)		LN	SF
Platte (Sulphur Springs; see also Chickasaw NRA)	CP		SF
Rocky Mountain	CP	D	KC/SF
Sequoia	CP		SF
Theodore Roosevelt (see also NMP)		KC	KC
Wind Cave	CP	KC	KC/SF
Yellowstone***	CP	D	KC/SF
Yosemite	CP	SF	SF
Zion (see also NM)	CP	D	SF

National Park Service Area	Central Office Records	NPS Area Records	NPS Regional Office Records**
National Monuments (NM)			
Angel Island			SF
Arches	CP		SF
Aztec Ruins	CP	D	SF
Badlands	CP		KC/SF
Bandelier	CP		SF
Big Hole Battlefield	CP		KC/SF
Black Canyon of the Gunnison	CP	D	KC/SF
Cabrillo	CP		SF
Canyon de Chelly	CP		SF
Capitol Reef	CP		SF
Capulin Mountain	CP		SF
Casa Grande Ruins	CP		SF
Cedar Breaks	CP		SF
Chaco Canyon	CP		SF
Channel Islands	CP		SF
Chiricahua	CP		SF
Colorado	CP	D	KC/SF
Craters of the Moon	CP		SF
Custer Battlefield	CP		KC/SF
Death Valley	CP	LN	SF
Devils Postpile	CP		SF
Devils Tower	CP		KC/SF
Dinosaur	CP		KC/SF
Effigy Mounds			KC
El Morro	CP		SF
Fort Laramie (see also NHS)	CP		
Fort Union			SF
Fossil Cycad	CP		
George Washington Carver Birthplace			KC
Gila Cliff Dwellings	CP		SF
Grand Canyon (see also NP)	CP	LN	
Grand Portage		KC****	
Gran Quivira (also Salinas)	CP	D	SF
Great Sand Dunes	CP		KC/SF
Holy Cross			KC
Homestead	CP		KC/SF
Hovenweep	CP		SF
Jackson Hole (see also Grand Teton NP)	CP		KC/SF
Jewel Cave	CP		KC/SF

National Park Service Area	Central Office Records	NPS Area Records	NPS Regional Office Records**
National Monuments (NM) con.			
Joshua Tree	CP	LN	SF
Lava Beds	CP		SF
Lehman Caves	CP		SF
Montezuma Castle	CP		SF
Muir Woods	CP	SF	SF
Natural Bridges	CP		SF
Navajo	CP	D	SF
Oregon Caves	CP	S	SF
Organ Pipe Cactus	CP		SF
Petrified Forest (see also NP)	CP		
Pinnacles	CP		SF
Pipe Spring	CP		SF
Pipestone	CP	KC	KC/SF
Rainbow Bridge	CP		SF
Saguaro	CP	D	SF
Salinas (see Gran Quivira)			
Scotts Bluff	CP		KC/SF
Shoshone Caverns	CP		KC
Southwestern			SF
Sunset Crater	CP		
Timpanogos Cave	CP	D	
Tonto	CP	LN	SF
Tumacacori	CP		SF
Tuzigoot	CP	D	SF
Verendrye	CP		
Walnut Canyon	CP		SF
Wheeler	CP		
White Sands	CP	D	SF
Whitman Mission	CP		SF
Wupatki	CP		SF
Yucca House	CP		SF
Zion (see also NP)	CP		
National Historical Parks (NHP)			
Chalmette (Jean Lafitte: see also NC)	CP		P
Nez Perce			SF

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AREA	CENTRAL OFFICE RECORDS	NPS AREA RECORDS	NPS REGIONAL OFFICE RECORDS**
National Memorial Parks (NMP)			
Theodore Roosevelt	CP		KC
National Memorials			
Coronado		D	SF
Fort Clatsop			SF
Fort Vancouver			SF
Mount Rushmore	CP		KC/SF
National Military Parks			
Pea Ridge			P
National Cemeteries (NC)			
Chalmette (Jean Lafitte; see also NHP)	CP		
National Historic Sites (NHS)			
Fort Davis			SF
Fort Laramie (see also NM)			KC/SF
Golden Spike			SF
Jefferson National Expansion Memorial	CP		KC
John Muir			SF
National Historic Sites not owned by the Federal Government			
McLaughlin House	CP		
San Jose Mission	CP		
National Recreation Areas (NRA)			
Amistead		FW	

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AREA	CENTRAL OFFICE RECORDS	NPS AREA RECORDS	NPS REGIONAL OFFICE RECORDS**
National Recreation Areas (NRA) con.			
Boulder Dam			SF
Chickasaw (was Platt NP)		FW	
Lake Meade	CP	LN	SF
Lake Shasta			SF
Lake Texoma	CP	D	
Millerton Lake		SF	SF
Redwood Mountain			SF
Shadow Mountain			SF
Silver Creek			SF
Whiskeytown-Shasta-Trinity			SF
National Seashores			
Padre Island			SF
Point Reyes			SF
Miscellaneous			
Southwest Archeological Center		SF	
Regional Offices			
Region I			P
Region II			KC
Region III (Southwest)	D		
Region IV (Western)			SF
Region V (Northeast)		P	
Pacific Northwest			S
Recreation Areas and **Recreational Demonstration Areas** are not listed.			

* Abbreviated Names for NARA Regions: KC - Central Plains; P - Mid Atlantic (Center City Philadelphia); S - Pacific Alaska Region (Seattle); SF - Pacific Region (San Francisco); LN - Pacific Region (Laguna Niguel); D - Rocky Mountain; FW - Southwest.

** These records include materials for the NPS units indicated.

*** See 79.50

**** The Grand Portage National Monument is jointly administered by the National Park Service and the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The records are with those of the Consolidated Chippewa Indian Agency in Record Group 75, Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, in the National Archives and Records Administration--Central Plains Region.

Record Group 115

RECORDS OF THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Every encouragement should be given to the man who is making his home on the reclaimed land and cultivating it effectively. Such a man should be recognized as cooperating with the Government in its efforts to promote the prosperity of the Nation. It is generally admitted that few men can succeed as farmers or properly utilize the opportunities offered by the Government unless they devote their entire time and energies to the cultivation of the irrigated lands, and that the greatest obstacle to the success of the reclamation act lies in the man who is unwilling or unable to utilize effectively the bounty of the Government or the money advanced in reclaiming the land.

F.H. Newell, Twelfth Annual Report of the Reclamation Service, 1912-13), *p. 7.*

INTRODUCTION

115.1 The Bureau of Reclamation, first known as the Reclamation Service, was created by the Secretary of the Interior under the Reclamation, or Newlands, Act of June 17, 1902. The act was written with the intention of promoting successful small-scale "family" farming on arid and semiarid public lands in the Western United States through irrigation. It established a reclamation fund, which would be supported by the proceeds from the sale of public lands, to finance the location, construction, and maintenance of irrigation works in 16 public land States and Territories: Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming. (Texas, though not a public land State, was added in 1906.) To carry out his responsibilities under the act, the Secretary of the Interior set up the Reclamation Service, which was to operate under the jurisdiction of the Director of the Geological Survey without actually being a part of the Survey.

115.2 During the period 1881 to 1894, the Geological Survey had been headed by John Wesley Powell, a leader in the movement for Federal involvement in the construction of irrigation projects. Prior to his appointment as Director of the Survey, Powell had directed the U.S. Geographical and Geological Survey of the Rocky Mountain Region, 1869-79, and had written the influential *Report on the Lands of the Arid Region of the United States with a more detailed account of the lands of Utah* (H. Ex. Doc. 73, 45th Cong., 2d sess., Serial 1805), which was published in 1878. Under his leadership, the Geological Survey conducted the topographic survey, classified lands, and examined the mineral resources, geologic structures, and products of the public domain.

115.3 In 1888, in the midst of an extended period of drought, the Geological Survey had been authorized to investigate potential irrigation reservoir sites on the public domain. The Powell Irrigation Survey had operated from 1888 to 1890, selecting sites to be reserved from sale or entry until opened for settlement by the President. The Geological Survey continued this work in later years, although it did not always receive a specific appropriation for that purpose. In 1894 and succeeding years, money was appropriated for the Survey to gage streams and to determine the water supply of the United States.

115.4 Measures designed to encourage irrigation by individuals and States, such as the Desert Land Act of 1877 and the Carey Act of 1894, had proved ineffective, largely because construction costs for the necessarily elaborate irrigation systems were too great even for the States to meet. By 1900, western irrigation had become a national political issue due in large part to the efforts of such proponents as Powell, William E. Smythe, W.J. McGee, George H. Maxwell, Frederick H. Newell, Col. Hiram Chittenden of the Army Engineering Corps, and Senator Francis Newlands of Nevada and to the campaigns mounted by the National Irrigation Congress and Maxwell's National Irrigation Association. With passage of the Reclamation Act, the U.S. Congress acknowledged the fact that arid lands agriculture could not succeed without direct and massive Federal intervention.

115.5 On July 8, 1902, the Reclamation Service was officially established within the Geological Survey's Hydrographic Branch, which had primary responsibility for the arid lands irrigation surveys. Through its connection with the Geological Survey,

the Reclamation Service inherited the wealth of data already accumulated by the Survey. Frederick H. Newell, Hydrographer-in-Charge of the Hydrographic Branch, was appointed Chief Engineer of the Service, with responsibility for all Service engineering plans and project feasibility studies, especially studies concerning the possibilities of water user repayment. A "Principal Engineer" was named to control the technical details of design and construction, and an "Engineer for Diversion Surveys" was appointed to oversee reconnaissance concerning the construction of canal lines and tunnels. As individual projects were started, they were placed under the "resident engineer," later called the "project engineer." As a feature of a project, such as a dam or canal, was completed, an "operation and maintenance manager," later called a "project manager," might be appointed to operate it.

115.6 Between 1902 and 1923, the Reclamation Service underwent many organizational changes. The need for administrative support in the field was evident quite early, and in April 1903, an office was established in Denver, CO, to accommodate an engineer and other employees of the Hydrographic Branch. On March 9, 1907, the Secretary of the Interior separated the Reclamation Service from the Geological Survey. The Chief Engineer became the Director of the Service and the Assistant Chief became Chief Engineer. In 1913, the Secretary assigned responsibility for the administrative direction of the Service to a Reclamation Commission, composed of the Director, the Chief Engineer, the Supervisor of Irrigation, and two other officials. A Chief of Construction was appointed and made a member of the Commission in 1914. During the following year, the positions of Director and Chief Engineer were combined. The Chief of Construction was transferred to Denver to head the newly established executive office there, and the Supervisor of Irrigation was moved to Billings, MT; both of the other officials were dropped from the Commission. All detached field offices--except that of the Supervisor of Irrigation--were incorporated with the new Denver office, which also acquired responsibility for the departments in charge of purchasing, disbursing, and the administrative examination of accounts. In 1918, the Secretary abolished the Reclamation Commission, and its authority was returned to Arthur P. Davis, who served as both Director and Chief Engineer of the Service. The office of Supervisor of Irrigation was also abolished in 1918, when the incumbent resigned. In 1920, the Chief of Construction in Denver became the Chief Engineer in charge of construction and operation, while general administrative control was retained by the Director in Washington. Finally, on June 20, 1923, the Reclamation Service was given full bureau status and renamed the Bureau of Reclamation.

115.7 By 1913, the Service had already launched several irrigation projects. The projects first recommended for construction were Salt River (Arizona), Truckee-Carson (Nevada), Gunnison (Colorado), Milk River (Montana), and Sweetwater (Wyoming). When projects were completed, the Service supervised the settlement and development of project lands, which were opened to entry by settlers. Each settler was allowed a maximum of 160 acres and was expected to repay construction costs. The Reclamation Act provided for repayment to be accomplished in 10 years, but subsequent legislation lengthened the repayment period. It was the policy of the service to make contracts with organizations of settlers known as water users' associations or with irrigation districts rather than with individual settlers. The settlers were also expected to pay the costs of operating completed projects. Operation of the projects was turned over to local organizations of water users whenever practical, although the Service usually retained the operation of storage works. In 1913 the Director of the Service noted in the opening remarks of his annual report that by delivering water to thousands of individual farms and maintaining records of the time and quantity of the deliveries and of the crops raised, the Service was "brought into immediate personal contact with the human affairs of thousands of citizens."

115.8 Described below are those textual, cartographic, and photographic records of the Bureau offices in Washington and the field for the period 1902-13 that are among the holdings of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For records concerning reclamation before 1902, see Record Group 57, Records of the Geological Survey. Other records, mostly of a policy nature, relating to the Bureau of Reclamation and its projects are in Record Group 48, Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior. Records concerning the withdrawal and restoration of public lands and the use of the public domain for reclamation purposes are found in the records of the former General Land Office, which are part of Record Group 49, Records of the Bureau of Land Management. The records of Congress also contain related materials. The records of the U.S. House of Representatives (Record Group 233) include the records of the Committee on Irrigation of Arid

Lands, 1893-1924, while those of the U.S. Senate (Record Group 46) include the records of the Committee on Irrigation and Reclamation of Arid Lands, 1891-1946.

115.9 The records of the Washington office of the Bureau of Reclamation held by the National Archives as of 1958 are described in *Preliminary Inventory of the Records of the Bureau of Reclamation* (PI 109), Edward E. Hill, compiler. In 1995 all of the textual records described in the *Preliminary Inventory*, as well as some that were accessioned after 1958, were transferred to NARA's Rocky Mountain Region, in Denver, CO. Cartographic and photographic records discussed in the *Preliminary Inventory* and below (115.27-115.30) remain in the National Archives at College Park, MD. Some photographic records are described in more detail in Special List 15, *List of Photographs of Irrigation Projects of the Bureau of Reclamation*, compiled by Emma B. Haas, Anne Harris Henry, and Thomas W. Ray and published in 1959.

115.10 Editorial Note: Many records included in Record Group 115 originated after 1912, and they are not described here. Unless otherwise noted, series consisting of records that originated prior to 1913 but extending beyond that date are described in their entirety. No attempt has been made to determine what part of such series relates to the pre-1913 period. All of the textual records (with the exception noted in 115.40) and some of the cartographic and photographic records discussed in this chapter are now in the custody of the National Archives and Records Administration--Rocky Mountain Region. It should be noted at this point that the footage figures for some of the records recently accessioned by that Region are expressed in terms of cubic feet (cf.) rather than linear feet. The photographic records accessioned by the National Archives from the Bureau's central office and still held by the National Archives at College Park are identified by alphabetic collection designators, shown in parentheses, instead of by series titles.

RECORDS OF THE WASHINGTON OFFICE

RECORDS OF PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED WITH RECLAMATION

115.11 The Bureau of Reclamation acquired from the National Reclamation Association the records of several organizations that were interested in reclamation during the period 1899 to 1934, including the National Irrigation Association and its successor, the National Reclamation Association. Although these records were not of Government origin, they were received by the Bureau in connection with its official business and were deemed appropriate for preservation in the National Archives because of their evidential and informational value.

115.12 The National Irrigation Association was organized in 1899 by George H. Maxwell, a California lawyer who advocated Federal financing of reclamation projects. Maxwell served as Executive Chairman of the Association, and Guy E. Mitchell as the Recording Secretary. In 1912 the Association was replaced by the National Reclamation Association.

115.13 The records of the National Irrigation Association consist entirely of scrapbooks containing newspaper and magazine **clippings relating to irrigation, 1899-1906** (6 vols., 1 ft.), many of articles written by Mitchell or issued by the National Irrigation Association; **clippings relating to land-law repeal, 1903** (3 vols., 8 in.), including copies of pieces by Mitchell and William D. Smythe and stories concerning debates at the National Irrigation Congress held in Ogden, UT; mimeographed copies of the Association's **press releases, 1903-6** (1 vol., 2 in.); **clippings relating to agriculture, 1905-10** (1 vol., 4 in.), including copies of Mitchell's writings and articles from Maxwell's *Talisman*, the organ of the National Irrigation Association; and **clippings of special articles, 1907-10** (1 vol., 2 in.), by Mitchell concerning the reclamation of swamp areas, forestation, geological surveys, national parks, agriculture, and other topics. The items in each scrapbook are in rough chronological order, and most of them are identified by date and publication. Also included are handwritten and typed **drafts of legislation relating to river control, 1911** (1 vol., 3 in.), with proposed amendments and some correspondence. A few items in this scrapbook are dated 1908.

115.14 The National Reclamation Association was organized at the second National Drainage Congress at New Orleans in 1912 to replace the National Irrigation Association. The bulk of the records from this Association are dated after 1913, but some are dated earlier, including unarranged typed copies of **water rights claims and court decrees, 1904-16** (7 in.), for water rights in Utah and Wyoming, with some abstracts of applications for water rights in Utah, arranged by river district; **publications, 1907-20** (1 ft.), including an incomplete file of Maxwell's *Talisman* (1907-20),

also used as the organ of the National Reclamation Association, and a copy of *Our National Defense* by Maxwell; and **general correspondence, 1911-34** (10 ft.), arranged chronologically, of Maxwell and other officials of the National Reclamation Association, including some correspondence of affiliated organizations. Also available are scrapbooks containing correspondence, circular letters, publicity materials, drafts of speeches and resolutions, memorandums, clippings, and other **records of George H. Maxwell, 1912** (4 vols., 10 in.), chronologically arranged; scrapbooks containing mimeographed copies of minutes of meetings, copies of circular letters, speeches, clippings, correspondence, financial statements, publicity material, and other **miscellaneous records, 1912-16** (9 vols., 2 ft.), including some records of the Louisiana Reclamation Club and the National Drainage Congress of 1912; and scrapbooks of **clippings relating to flood control, 1912-14** (22 vols., 5 ft.). Most of the clippings are identified by date and publication; the arrangement is chronological within each volume, but the dates of the volumes overlap.

General Records of the Reclamation Service and Its Successor

115.15 The **general administrative and project records, 1902-19** (483 ft.), include letters received, copies of letters sent, contracts, minutes of meetings, reports, statistical tables, circulars, copies of publications, clippings, photographs, blueprints, and other types of records. As indicated by the series title, the records are grouped in two segments: a general administrative segment, called "Straights" in the file classification scheme and arranged numerically by filenumber, and a project segment, arranged alphabetically by name of project and thereunder numerically. To file the records, the Service used a numerical subject classification system that incorporated both segments of records into one numerical sequence ranging from 1 to 1421. In the general administrative segment, the file classes are arranged in strict numeric order with some numbers missing. The missing numbers are found in the project segment. Thus file 1, pertaining to the acquisition of land, is filed in the project segment under "Newlands," and file 1421, concerning photographs, is part of the general administrative segment. Even if the same subject was common to more than one project, a different number was used for each project. For example, 36 different numbers were used for files relating to the purchase of land--1 for the general administrative file and 35 for projects. The relevant documents for that subject, therefore, are found under the numbers 563 for the general administrative file and, to mention just a few of the project files, 1 for Newlands, 708 for Boise, 35 for Okanogan, and 890 for Yakima. A list of projects for which files were created prior to 1913 is provided in table 115.15 accompanying this chapter. As noted, not all of the projects were approved.

115.16 When subject headings required expansion, subheadings were established using numbers or letters or both. This is most evident in the general administrative file, where subheadings abound. Letters were also used for alphabetical name breakdowns, such as those in the segment of the file covering right- of-way applications, where letters were added to most file numbers to facilitate filing by surname of applicant.

115.17 Several subject headings in the general administrative records have State and/or project breakdowns. Some of these headings and file numbers are given below:

22 — Demonstration farms and tree planting (Belle Fourche-Shoshone)

62 thru 77 — Right-of-way applications (Arizona-Wyoming)

78 thru 93 — Desert land entries (Arizona-Wyoming)

110-D1 thru 110-D17 — Legislation, irrigation district laws (Arizona-Wyoming)

110-E2 thru 110-E16 — Legislation, irrigation laws, water codes (California-Wyoming)

262-D1 thru 262-D23 — Board of Review (Belle Fourche-Yuma)

314 — Inspection, general/reports (Belle Fourche-Yuma)

713 thru 728 — Homestead entries Arizona-Wyoming)

757-D1 thru 757-S1 — Cooperation with Office of Indian Affairs (by Indian reservation and/or State)

783-1 thru 783-15 — Forest reserves, establishment and extension (Arizona-Utah)

858 — General Funds (Belle Fourche-Yuma)

Other subjects covered by the records include frauds; bills presented to the House of Representatives and the Senate (arranged by Congress and session); regulations and instructions regarding subsistence of employees in the field, per diem in lieu of subsistence, and the operation of commissaries and boarding houses; land classifications and soil surveys; annual irrigation congresses; operation and maintenance meetings; water users' associations; health and sanitation; legal discussions; inventions; and general funds and allotments for annual budgets and for projects. A list of file headings used in the general administrative records is available for the use of researchers.

115.18 The range of subjects covered by the project records is naturally more limited. Many files relate to land and water matters. Subjects concerning land include acquisition, purchase, and lease of lands, classification of lands, soil surveys, and rights-of-way. Water-related subjects are appropriation of water, rental or sale of water, applications for water rights, settlement of water rights, and water users' associations. Other subjects covered by the project records are authorities, charges for operation and maintenance and for supplemental construction, reduction of charges because of hail or seepage, claims for damages, clippings, delinquent entrymen, drainage, engineering, equipment, farm units, houses, informal contracts, irrigation districts, mail routes and post offices, operation and maintenance, payments under public notice and public notices, permits for the removal of timber and stone, power development and the lease of power, repayments, State and school lands, surveys, taxation of unpatented entries, townsites, trespasses, and uncollected accounts. A list of subject headings showing the file numbers assigned to each project and the corresponding file numbers in the general administrative ("Straights") file is available.

115.19 Some **oversize records, 1902-19** (18 ft.), mostly reports, were removed from the general administrative and project records and filed separately because of their bulk or unusual dimensions. These records are arranged in subject-number order, with the general administrative records and the various project records intermingled. Stickers were attached to the folders in the main series of records to indicate the removal of the oversize materials, but many of the stickers have come off. Many of these records relate to legal cases.

115.20 Two indexes facilitate access to the general administrative and projects records described above. An **alphabetical index, 1902-19** (3 ft.), consisting of 3- by 5-inch cards, lists alphabetically the subjects used to file correspondence and other documents in the general administrative and project records and gives the file number assigned to each subject. To determine whether the number is used in the general administrative file segment or in a project file, it is necessary to consult the **numerical index, 1902-19** (6 ft.), also maintained on 3- by 5-inch cards. This index, arranged by file number, identifies the segment of the records in which the number is used.

115.21 An extensive series of **project histories, feature histories, and reports** (ca. 564 ft.) came into the National Archives in three chronological segments, 1902-32, 1920-49, and 1950-59. Although the three segments have since been interfiled into one alphabetical sequence arranged by name of project, the discussion that follows is limited to the first group of reports, 1902-32 (641 vols., 63 ft.), which consists of manuscript volumes containing reports of various types but principally those concerning the respective projects. Many of the volumes are illustrated by some or all of the following: maps, blueprints, photographs, and drawings. Additional information about the contents of each type of report is given below.

115.22 The "Project Histories" (1910-19) are detailed narrative and statistical reports prepared by the project engineer or manager on the construction of each project; the reports, first compiled in 1910 and usually annually thereafter, contain sections on many topics including the following: general physical data, location, and climatic conditions; agricultural conditions and principal crops; means of transportation and chief markets; surveys, irrigation plans, development of designs, and progress of work; living conditions; and health and sanitation. "Feature Histories" (1910-25) are special reports on completed project features, such as dams and canals, and were compiled either by the official in charge of the feature or by the project engineer or manager.

115.23 Also included in this series are operation and maintenance reports, engineering reports, and bound volumes of newspaper clippings. "Operation and Maintenance Reports" (1910-19) are annual statements containing brief narratives supplemented by statistical tables. The "Reports of Engineering Boards" (1902-23) were made by project boards convened to study and report on plans and estimates for projects or project features. These boards consisted of the supervising and district engineer immediately concerned and one or more consulting engineers from other boards or projects. The reports for each project

usually constitute a volume. "Reports to the Board of Army Engineers" (1910) were made by supervising engineers to a special board set up to examine the feasibility and worth of projects. They contain information on costs, water supply, and land values before and after the initiation of the project. Some volumes of clippings (1909-32) and some general reports are also included.

115.24 The volumes are arranged alphabetically by project name, with the Project Histories in chronological order at the beginning of each project segment. The general reports follow those for the individual projects. A checklist of these histories and reports is available. Some volumes for the smaller projects have been reproduced as a part of National Archives Microfilm Publication M96, *Project Histories and Reports of Reclamation Bureau Projects, 1905-1925* (141 rolls). Volumes for larger projects, such as North Platte, Rio Grande, and Salt River, were not microfilmed.

115.25 Withdrawal and restoration files, 1891-1945 (72 ft.), compiled by the Drafting Division of the Bureau of Reclamation, consist mainly of correspondence arranged according to a numerical subject classification system. Most of the records are filed in three segments under the heading 94-Withdrawals, with alphabetical subheadings for general records (94A, 94B) and numerical subheadings for States (94-1 Arizona through 94-16 Wyoming) and individual reclamation projects (94-17 Little Colorado through 94-171 Hammond). The State files include subheadings for power sites; the project files are in rough geographical order. The following classifications are also used:

110 Proposed Forest Reserves
132 Enlarged Homestead Designations
630 U.S. Geological Survey Power Withdrawals
649 U.S. Geological Survey Petroleum and Oil Reserves
650 U.S. Geological Survey Coal Land Withdrawals
667 U.S. Geological Survey Phosphate Withdrawals

All of these classifications except 110 have subheadings for the various States. The items under each heading are arranged loose in folders in chronological order. The reply is often attached to an incoming letter.

115.26 Personnel records, 1902-40 (10 ft.), consist of correspondence, charts, schedules, circulars, forms, and other types of records of the Division of Appointments of the Bureau of Reclamation. The records are arranged according to a unique and little understood numerical subject classification system. Within each heading the records are arranged in chronological order.

Central Office Cartographic and Photographic Records

115.27 Cartographic records include printed and photoprocessed small-scale **maps of river basins, 1908-50** (40 items), showing land classification, Federal and private irrigation projects, irrigated and irrigable areas, canals, plans for future development, and conservation areas. The maps are arranged alphabetically by name of river, including the Colorado, Columbia, Gila, Missouri, and Yakima Rivers. Published and photoprocessed **maps of reclamation projects, 1904-85** (546 items), show the area of the irrigation project, irrigated areas, and the locations of canals and laterals; some plans of irrigation dams are included. Among these maps, which are arranged alphabetically by name of project, is a set of land classification and irrigation district maps of the Columbia River Basin Project.

115.28 Also among the records are published and photoprocessed **plats of townships located in Federal irrigation projects, 1907-55** (1,320 items), arranged alphabetically by name of project, showing farm units, areas for which water rights applications could be made, private lands, reserved lands, canals and laterals, areas approved for irrigation with the date of approval, and acreage of irrigated area within each farm unit or area of private land. Before 1954, plats were approved by the Commissioner of Reclamation or the Chief Engineer and the Secretary of the Interior or his assistant.

115.29 Photographic records of the Bureau of Reclamation, 1899-1958 (ca. 50,318 items), document activities of the Bureau in the development and construction of irrigation projects. Some of the photographs are reproduced in National Archives Microfilm Publication M1145, *Photographs of Irrigation Projects of the Bureau of Reclamation, 1902-1938* (18 rolls). Among the records are pictures of dams, hydroelectric power plants, canals, reservoirs, and tunnels, as well as photographs showing the physical and economic benefits of the projects as reflected in the towns, farms, recreation areas, transportation facilities, and industries in adjacent areas, 1896-1938 **(JA through JY; JAA through JAJ)**. Also included are photo-

graphs of maps and diagrams relating to Bureau projects, 1902-33 **(MD)**, and photographs of small irrigation projects, uncompleted projects, and unsuccessful projects, 1904-31 **(NA through NU)**. More specific information about most of these photographs is found in Special List 15, which shows the file headings used for each project and the approximate dates of coverage. Typical file headings are camps, canals and structures, communications, culture, dams, office headquarters, scenic views, and towns.

115.30 Also available are photographs of the official seal of the Department of the Interior and other subjects, 1905-33 **(MS)**; photographic prints showing personnel of the Bureau, the U.S. Geological Survey's Division of Hydrography, and the Department of the Interior, Members of the U.S. Congress, and U.S. Presidents from 1900-33 (**P, GP, HDP**); and lantern slides showing the customs and cultures of Indian tribes of the Western United States, 1899-1915 **(L)**. The slides were probably used to illustrate lectures given by Bureau officials.

RECORDS OF OFFICES IN THE FIELD

115.31 Since 1902 the Bureau of Reclamation has established throughout the Western United States an extensive network of project and operation offices, including regional offices in Boise, ID; Sacramento, CA; Boulder City, NV; Salt Lake City, UT; Amarillo, TX; Billings, MT; and Denver, CO. In 1915 the Division headquarters of the Chief of Construction (later Chief Engineer) was relocated from Washington, DC, to Denver, and a number of older files documenting the activities of that office were transferred to the Denver site. Gradually, the nonactive records of the Bureau's various field offices were retired to Denver, with the result that the National Archives and Records Administration--Rocky Mountain Region accessioned nearly all of the Bureau's field records now held by NARA. With one exception (115.40), all of the textual, cartographic, and photographic records described hereafter are in the custody of the National Archives and Records Administration--Rocky Mountain Region.

RECORDS OF THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER

115.32 Correspondence and project reports make up the bulk of the textual records from the Chief Engineer's office. **General correspondence, "Engineering," 1902-42** (600 ft.), arranged alphabetically by name of project and thereunder numerically by a subject classification system, documents the cycle of reclamation work from investigation through completed construction, including the organization of irrigation districts and collection of charges. **General correspondence, "Straights," 1906-42** (310 ft.), arranged by a numerical subject classification system, documents the role of the Denver office of the Chief of Construction and the Chief Engineer. **General correspondence, "Field Records," 1902-42** (388 ft.), covers 17 projects and is generally arranged alphabetically by name of project and thereunder numerically by a subject classification system, although the records for some projects are arranged chronologically. **Project reports, 1902-55** (338 ft.), arranged alphabetically by project name, cover most aspects of the construction of the various projects and are generously illustrated with charts, tables, maps, drawings, and photographs.

115.33 Other textual records include **public notices relating to irrigation projects, 1905-48** (2 ft.); **project water rights applications and related records, 1905-49** (22 ft.); and **annual reports of project operation and maintenance, 1910-14, 1917** (1 ft.). **Personnel "Field Files," 1904-45** (3 ft.), created at various field offices for reclamation projects and preliminary site investigations, are arranged alphabetically by name of project or office. Of particular interest are records concerning personnel employed on some of the earliest projects, including Boise, Belle Fourche, Lower Yellowstone, and Truckee-Carson (Newlands). **Copies of Bureau publications, 1905-83** (3 ft.), include the *Reclamation Bulletin*, 1905-8, and the *Reclamation Record*, 1908-24.

115.34 Engineering drawings and maps, 1902-60 (20,500 items), consist primarily of drawings showing projects and structures actually completed, but some drawings prepared for research purposes are included. Interspersed are many maps and plats.

115.35 The photographic records held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Rocky Mountain Region comprise thousands of images. **Photographs relating to technical and historical research, 1902-59**, document significant and/or unique techniques, equipment, operations, and types of research employed by the Bureau in its program activities. Positive prints of **photographs of project construction, 1902-70**, apparently compiled from periodic reports and mounted in albums, provide a photographic history of the construction of various proj-

ects. A large collection of **photographs from the Bureau of Reclamation's Media Office, 1903-80** (145 ft.), includes copies of photographs in the Bureau's Central Office collection (see 115.29-115.30) as well as photographs acquired from a variety of other sources. The photographs are arranged by project. Some lantern slides, most of which are arranged by project, are also included.

RECORDS OF THE ENGINEERING AND RESEARCH CENTER

115.36 Archeological studies and reports, prepared by or on behalf of the Bureau of Reclamation, make up an extensive series of **cultural resource reports, 1942-94** (ca. 36 cf.), arranged by river basin name, thereunder alphabetically by project. Although compiled long after 1913, these reports are mentioned here because they are a rich research source. Illustrated with maps, drawings, and photographs, the reports document both the investigation of project sites for potential excavation and the field work conducted on project sites. A title list is available for researcher use. Included are historical narratives and site surveys, descriptions of geographic features, technical reports, inventories of artifacts, and background investigations of irrigation projects, providing information on prehistoric Indian sites, Spanish and French settlements, military posts, early burial grounds and cemeteries, early mining camps, ranches, towns, and railroad routes. Fairly typical are the reports for the Delores archeological program, 1983-88 (14 vols.), which are arranged chronologically by publication date. Conducted by the University of Colorado as part of the Bureau's Dolores Water Storage Project in southwestern Colorado, some studies detail excavations of dwellings, artifacts, and human remains dating from the Anasazi period through the early Pueblo era; others report on field analysis and investigations, environ-mental archeology, research design and survey results, and communities. Similar documentation is available for the projects and sites listed in the table on page 103.

115.37 Reports on completed and proposed reclamation irrigation projects, 1910-95 (264 cf.), are arranged alphabetically by project, division, unit, or structure. Prepared in connection with Bureau dam-building, irrigation, and water use projects, these studies relate to materials testing, structural engineering, geology, legislation relating to hydrological projects, and recreational and other public use facilities.

115.38 Construction specifications, 1902-94 (ca. 1200 vols., 404 ft.), arranged numerically by specification number, document the requirements for materials and equipment used for projects. Included are designs, drawings, and plans, copies of leases and contracts, notices, proposals for water rights, and distribution plans for municipalities.

115.39 Operating functions, dam design, and property management are three of the many subject areas covered by the Bureau's **reclamation manuals and instructions, 1909-82** (16 cf.), a collection consisting chiefly of administrative and organization manuals and the revisions and additions issued by the Bureau. Also included are numerous appendixes, glossaries, and indexes. The materials are arranged according to a folder list.

RECORDS OF FIELD OFFICES

Records of the Regional Offices

115.40 Relatively few series of textual records from the Bureau's field offices contain pre-1913 materials, but one of these happens to be the only series of textual records in Record Group 115 not in the custody of NARA's Rocky Mountain Region. Those records, held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Pacific Alaska Region (Seattle), in Seattle, WA, consist of **scrapbooks of press clippings, 1903- 27** (4 vols. and loose papers, 3 ft.), from the Pacific Northwest Regional Office in Boise, ID, covering Bureau activities in Idaho and Oregon. Records from the Bureau's Pacific Northwest Regional Office that are held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Rocky Mountain Region include **maps and engineering drawings, 1904-62** (ca. 400 items, ca. 1 ft.), covering various locations and structures for various units of the Umatilla Project in Oregon and the Bitter Root Project in Montana. These items are arranged by project and thereunder numerically by item number. The series is augmented by additional **engineering drawings for the Umatilla Project, Oregon, 1904-41** (ca. 150 items, 1 ft.), which detail irrigation and farm unit boundaries, acreage under irrigation, acreage proposed for future irrigation, and municipal water delivery systems. Included are profile sheets and other miscellaneous drawings and plans.

115.41 Records from the Great Plains Regional Office, Billings, MT, include three series containing pre-1913 records. **Orders and notices relating to**

withdrawn lands, 1904-44 (4 in.), arranged by project, relate primarily to public lands withdrawn for use in Bureau irrigation projects in the southwestern United States. Also included are location plats, memorandums, excerpts from the Federal Register, and abstracts of sections proposed for withdrawal. The documents are assembled in a post binder. Reports, data, and correspondence concerning water flow and distribution on the North Platte Project in Nebraska and Wyoming are found in the series **reports and data relating to water distribution and supply on the North Platte Project, 1905-37** (6 cf.). Included are daily reports and run sheets, disposal analysis and supply reports, discharge schedules, water rights applications, operation and maintenance reports, flow data, and correspondence concerning related legislation. The records are arranged according to a folder list. Photocopies of articles from local Montana newspapers concerning reclamation projects are among the miscellaneous items making up the largely unarranged series of **publications, reports, and technical bulletins, 1900-40** (1 ft.). Also included are newsletters, regulations, proposed legislation, contract schedules, reports of individual irrigation projects, meeting and conference agendas, and organizational directories.

115.42 Records from the Upper Colorado Regional Office, Salt Lake City, UT, include series containing materials dating from 1890 and 1891. **Field notes and other records relating to the Carlsbad, Hondo, Pecos River, Provo River, and Rio Grande Projects, 1890-1960** (1 cf.), are arranged alphabetically by name of project and thereunder by subject matter. In addition to the survey field notes, this series includes correspondence, and notices concerning waters users on the projects, and copies of legislation, agreements, abstracts, and plat maps. Many of the early records relate to proposals to construct the Elephant Butte project in New Mexico. Bound press copies of letters of water cooperatives and related organizations in New Mexico and Colorado concerning irrigation works in the Rio Grande drainage areas make up the bulk of the **correspondence relating to water user organizations and irrigation works, Rio Grande Project, 1891-1914** (9 vols., 10 in.). The volumes also include lists of payments for water use and maintenance projects, and drawings relating to a patent for a movable water gate.

115.43 Other relevant records from regional offices are **photographs, 1902-69** (30,101 images), submitted by the regional offices and including images for the offices and the time periods shown below:

Region l, Pacific Northwest, Boise, ID, 1903-65
Region 4, Upper Colorado, Salt Lake City, UT, 1902-54
Region 7, Lower Missouri, Denver, CO, 1902-59

The photographs show construction progress at Bureau project sites; project activities; project towns, labor camps, and areas adjacent to the projects; and Bureau, department, and other Government personnel.

Records of Project Offices

115.44 Letters, townsite plats, maps, drawings, lists of land owners, statements, and patent certificates from the Yuma Project office make up the **general correspondence relating to the Bard and San Luis townsites in the Yuma Project, AZ, 1911-81** (1 ft.). These files concern the sale and lease of additions to the Bard and San Luis townsites and include inquiries from potential buyers or lessees.

Records of Other Field Offices

115.45 Records from the Upper Columbia Development Office consist of **maps, plats, drawings, and charts, 1909-62** (750 items, 1 ft.), most of which were created during investigation, planning, and design work performed by that Office or by predecessor planning offices in Walla Walla, WA, and Kalispell, MT. Also included are land classification and plane table sheets, structural cross-sections and profiles, and a small quantity of geological drill logs and aerial photographs. Some records were collected from cities, water companies, and irrigation districts.

TABLE - 115.15

PROJECTS OF THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION, PROPOSED OR APPROVED DURING THE PERIOD 1902-1913, FOR WHICH RECORDS ARE AVAILABLE

Project	State	Date of Authorization
Arkansas River	KS	Not authorized
Bear Lake	UT/ID	Not authorized
Bear River	WY	Not authorized
Belle Fourche	SD	May 10, 1904
Benton	WA	Not authorized
Big Bend	ID	Not authorized
Bismarck (old)	ND	Nov. 18, 1904
Blackfeet	MT	Mar. 1, 1907
Blythe Ranch	AZ/CA	Not authorized
Boise	ID/OR	Mar. 27, 1905
Bowman	ND	Not authorized
Buford-Trenton (old), with North Dakota Pumping	ND	Nov. 18, 1904
Carlsbad	NM	Nov. 28, 1905
Chelan	WA	Not authorized
Chewaucan-Ana	OR	Not authorized
Cheyenne River	SD	Not authorized
Clarks Fork	MT/WY	Not authorized
Clear Lake	CA	Not authorized
Crow	MT	Not authorized
Flathead	MT	Apr. 30, 1908
Fort Peck	MT	May 30, 1908
Garden City	KS	Oct. 5, 1905
Goose Lake	CA	Not authorized
Goshen Hole	WY	Not authorized
Grand Valley	CO	Jan. 5, 1911
Grey Bull	WY	Not authorized
Harney	OR	Not authorized
Hondo	NM	Nov. 10, 1903
Huntley	MT	Apr. 18, 1905
Klamath	OR/CA	May 15, 1905
Lake Basin	MT	Not authorized
Lake DeSmet	WY	Not authorized

Project	State	Date of Authorization
La Plata	NM	Not authorized
Las Vegas	NM	Not authorized
Little Missouri River	ND	Not authorized
Lower Yellowstone	MT/ND	May 10, 1904
Lyman	WY	Not authorized
Malheur	OR	May 11, 1904
Methow	WA	Not authorized
Milk River	MT	Mar. 14, 1903
Minidoka	ID/WY	Apr. 23, 1904
Mouse River	ND	Not authorized
Nesson	ND	Jan. 23, 1906
Newlands (Truckee-Carson)	NV	Mar. 14, 1903
North Dakota Pumping	ND	Jan. 23, 1906
North Platte	WY/NE	Mar. 14, 1903
Okanogan	WA	Dec. 2, 1905
Orland	CA	Oct. 5, 1907
Owens Valley	CA	Not authorized
Palouse	WA	Not authorized
Pawnee Pass	CO	Not authorized
Priest Rapids	WA	Not authorized
Red River	OK	Not authorized
Rio Grande	TX/NM	Dec. 2, 1905
Sacramento Valley	CA	Not authorized
Salt River	AZ	Mar. 14, 1903
San Carlos	AZ	Not authorized
San Pedro	AZ	Not authorized
Shoshone	WY/MT	Feb. 10, 1904
Strawberry Valley	UT	Dec. 15, 1905
Sun River	MT	Feb. 26, 1906
Sweetwater	WY	Mar. 14, 1903
Truckee-Carson (see Newlands)	NV	
Umatilla	OR	Dec. 4, 1905
Uncompahgre	CO	Mar. 14, 1903
Urton Lake	NM	Not authorized
Utah Lake	UT	Not authorized

Project	State	Date of Authorization
Walker River	NV/CA	Not authorized
Wapato	WA	June 16, 1906
Washburn-Wilton	ND	Not authorized
White River	CO	Not authorized
Williston, with North Dakota Pumping	ND	Jan. 23, 1906
Yakima	WA	Dec. 12, 1905
Yakima-Kittitas	WA	Dec. 12, 1905
Yakima-Moxee	WA	Dec. 12, 1905
Yakima-Roza	WA	Dec. 12, 1905
Yakima-Sunnyside	WA	Dec.12,1905
Yakima-Tieton	WA	Dec. 12, 1905
Yuma	AZ/CA	May 10, 1904

TABLE - 115.36
PROJECTS AND SITES REPRESENTED IN THE CULTURAL RESOURCE REPORTS

Animas-La Plata
Arbuckle
Boise
Boulder Canyon
Brantley
Cachuma
Canadian River
Carlsbad
Central Arizona
Central Utah
Central Valley
Chief Joseph
Colorado-Big Thompson
Colorado River Basin
Columbia River Basin
Comas Creek
Crooked River
Dallas Creek
Dixie
Dolores
Dominquez
Fruitland
Fryingpan-Arkansas
Gila
Grand Mesa
Humboldt
Kendrick
Klamath
Lyman
McGee
Middle Rio Grande
Milk River
Minidoka
Moapa Valley
Moon Lake
Navajo Indian Irrigation
Newlands
Norman
North Coast
North Platte
Nueces River
Orland
Owyhee
Palmetto Bend
Paonia
Parker Davis
Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin
Provo River
Rapid Valley
Rio Grande
Riverton
Salt River
San Carlos
San Jacinto
San Juan-Acoma
San Luis Valley
San Miquel
Savery-Pot Hook
Seedskadee
Shoshone
Snowflake
Solano
Spring Canyon
Strawberry Valley
Sublette
Sun River
Teton Basin
Texas Big Sandy
Tualatin
Umatilla
Umpqua
Upper Snake River
Velarde Community
Ventura
W.C. Austin
Walla Walla
Washoe
Weber Basin
West Divide
Wichita
Yakima
Yuma
Zuni

Record Group 126

RECORDS OF THE OFFICE OF TERRITORIES

Under existing laws the Territories have been left practically without a home at Washington. The governors and other officers are required by law to report to the President or to the heads of different Departments, and there has been no single executive office charged either with the compilation of information about the Territories or with the duty of attending to the requests made by their officers. As a result of this haphazard method it was extremely difficult to obtain information regarding the Territories, and many of their proper needs were neglected. By bringing Territorial matters together in this Department, it will be possible to remedy these difficulties.

James R. Garfield, "Report of the Secretary of the Interior," Reports of the Department of the Interior (*1907*), *p. 48.*

INTRODUCTION

126.1 The Office of Territories was established on July 28, 1950, by administrative order of the Secretary of the Interior to carry out certain responsibilities pertaining to areas noncontiguous to the United States and under U.S. jurisdiction. The Office replaced the Division of Territories and Island Possessions, which had been created in 1934 to perform those functions of the Secretary of the Interior engendered by the 1873 transfer of supervisory responsibility over the organized Territories (Arizona, Colorado, Dakota, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming) from the State Department to the Interior Department.

126.2 From the time it was established in 1849, the Department of the Interior has had responsibilities in connection with the government of the organized Territories. Until the United States acquired outlying possessions in 1898, the Territories, with the exception of Alaska, were located within the continental United States. They included the sparsely settled regions of the public domain in the Western United States, which have long been administered by the Interior Department. The Department had exercised administrative and supervisory jurisdiction over the following: public lands, including their survey, classification, sale, and protection against depredation; relations with the Indians; inspection of coal mines in the Territories and the enforcement of laws and regulations for the safety of miners; operations of the Reclamation Service and the Geological Survey; grants of land to railroads; and rights-of-way of railroads, canals, and ditches through public lands. Consequently, the Interior Department--primarily through the General Land Office and the Bureau of Indian Affairs--played a more important role in the development of the Territories than did any of the other executive departments.

126.3 In 1873 Congress conferred upon the Department of the Interior statutory jurisdiction over the Territorial governments. An act of March l, 1873 (17 Stat. 484) provided that the Secretary of the Interior would exercise "all the powers and perform all the duties in relation to the Territories of the United States" that were at that time "by law or by custom exercised and performed by the Secretary of State." The phrase "or by custom" is significant, since the Secretary of State exercised many powers and performed many duties that had not been specifically conferred by statute. The Secretary of State's chief function in connection with the administration of the Territories had been to serve as the channel by which officers of the Territorial governments communicated with the Government in Washington and to act in a supervisory capacity over those officers.

126.4 The activities conducted in the Territories by the other executive departments have tended to further complicate Territorial administration. The problem of coordinating these activities became acute in 1898, when the United States annexed Hawaii and acquired the Philippine Islands, Puerto Rico, and Guam from Spain under the terms of the treaty ending the Spanish-American War. American Samoa was acquired in 1899. By 1900, Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Alaska, Hawaii, and the Indian Territory were under the control of the Department of the Interior; the governments of Samoa and Guam were being administered by the Navy Department; the Philippines were under the supervision of the War Depart-

ment; and the government of Puerto Rico was being administered primarily by the Department of State, although the several executive departments in Puerto Rico were reporting to the corresponding heads of the departments in the United States, in accordance with the provisions of an act of April 12, 1900.

126.5 A report prepared in the Department of the Interior in 1905 called attention to the fact that autonomous or semiautonomous activities were being conducted in most of the Territories by eight other executive departments, namely, the War, Treasury, Justice, Navy, Agriculture, Commerce and Labor, and Post Office Departments. These activities included the control of all military reservations and establishments and the supervision of operations for the improvement of rivers and harbors by the Department of War; the collection of revenues, the supervision of lifesaving stations, the administration of quarantine and health laws, the supervision of the Marine Hospital Service, and the construction of public buildings by the Department of the Treasury; the prescribing of rules and regulations governing Territorial penitentiaries by the Department of Justice; the jurisdiction over all naval stations and naval coal depots by the Department of the Navy; the work of the Weather Bureau and the preservation and restoration of wildlife by the Department of Agriculture; and the activities of the Lighthouse Bureau, the Bureau of Navigation, the Coast and Geodetic Survey, the Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries, and the Census Office by the Department of Commerce and Labor; and the execution of all laws relating to the postal service by the Post Office Department.

126.6 President Theodore Roosevelt took the first step toward coordinating Federal activities in the Territories and possessions of the United States on May 11, 1907, when he issued Executive Order 633 directing that "On and after June 1, 1907, all official communications or reports from and to executive officers of the territories and territorial possessions of the United States, viz: Arizona, Hawaii, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Puerto Rico, Alaska, Indian Territory, Samoa, and Guam, and all official communications or reports relating to territorial matters from and to all executive officers of the United States stationed in such territories and territorial possessions, shall be transmitted through the Secretary of the Interior." As a result of this order, all Government activities relating to the Territories and possessions, except the Philippine Islands, were handled through the Department of the Interior, and the records forming the bulk of this record group were created. On May 29, 1934, President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued Executive Order 6726, which created the Division of Territories and Island Possessions within the Department of the Interior. The Division was replaced in 1950 by the Office of Territories, which functioned until 1971, when it was abolished by a Department of the Interior Secretarial order of June 30, 1971.

126.7 Related records of primary importance in the National Archives include those in Record Group 59, General Records of the Department of State, particularly the "Territorial Papers" series, and Record Group 48, Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior, particularly those in the central classified files, 1907-53, the Patents and Miscellaneous Division, 1873-1907, the Appointments Division, 1849-1907, and the Indian Territory Division, 1898-1907. The related records in both record groups are described in some detail in *The Trans-Mississippi West, 1804-12: Part I, A Guide to Records of the Department of State for the Territorial Period*, and *Part IV, A Guide to Records of the Department of the Interior for the Territorial Period, Section 1, Records of the Offices of the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of Railroads*.

126.8 Records concerning various aspects of Territorial administration are also in many additional records groups in the National Archives, especially in the records of the bureaus of the Department of the Interior, such as Record Group 75, Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and Record Group 49, Records of the Bureau of Land Management, which includes the records of the General Land Office. Record copies of publications relating to the Territories, such as annual reports of the governors and the mine inspectors, are among the publications of the Secretary of the Interior in Record Group 287, Publications of the U.S. Government. Related congressional records include those of the Committee on Territories, 1825-1946, in Record Group 233, Records of the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Committee on Territories, 1844-1921, in Record Group 46, Records of the U.S. Senate.

126.9 With the exception of the card index, all of the records discussed below are described in *Preliminary Inventory of the Records of the Office of Territories* (PI 154), compiled by Richard S. Maxwell and Evans Walker and published in 1963. The index was accessioned into the National Archives of the United States after the Office of Territories was abolished in 1971.

126.10 Editorial Note: Most of the records discussed below have been reproduced by the National Archives and Records Administration as part of a series of microfilm publications of the Interior Department Territorial papers. Information about the individual publications is given in Table-126.12 beginning on the adjoining page. The bulk of the records constituting Record Group 126, including all of the nontextual records, relate to Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Philippines, and other insular possessions.

GENERAL RECORDS

126.11 When the Division of Territories and Island Possessions was established in the Department of the Interior in 1934, it inherited a well-organized body of correspondence, reports, and other records that had been maintained in the Office of the Secretary of the Interior since 1907. Before 1907 the papers relating to the Territories and insular possessions of the United States had been filed in the Patents and Miscellaneous Division of the Secretary's Office. In 1907, when the Secretary's Office was reorganized, the divisions were abolished and a comprehensive central classified filing system was adopted. Under this system, all records relating to a large general subject were filed under the same number. Papers relating to Territorial matters were assigned the numeral "9," with subdivisions thereunder. In 1934 the records filed in the "9" classification were transferred to the newly established Division of Territories and Island Possessions.

126.12 Letters received, copies of letters sent, memorandums, reports, circulars, newspaper clippings, press releases, printed and processed publications, minutes of meetings, transcripts of hearings, resolutions, petitions, speeches, copies of congressional bills, blueprints, maps, charts, and other records relating to Territorial administration make up the **central classified files ("9" classification), 1907-51** (627 ft.). Originally, the "9" files were divided into 11 parts, 1 for each of the 9 Territories or possessions with which the Secretary of the Interior was concerned in 1907, 1 for the District of Columbia, and 1 for records of a general Territorial character. These parts were identified as follows: 9-O General; 9-1 Alaska; 9-2 Arizona; 9-3 Guam; 9-4 Hawaii; 9-5 New Mexico; 9-6 Oklahoma; 9-7 Philippine Islands; 9-8 Puerto Rico; 9-9 Samoa (Tutuila); and 9-10 District of Columbia. Each part was further subdivided, as necessary, by the addition of another number. The records are arranged chronologically within the specific classifications or subdivisions. The table lists the pertinent headings for the General segment of the file and all subject headings for the Arizona, New Mexico, and Oklahoma segments.

126.13 Access to the files is facilitated by a 3- by 5-inch card **index to the central classified files, 1907-51** (65 ft.), arranged alphabetically by subject and name; however, only a few entries predate 1934.

TABLE - 126.12
LIST OF PERTINENT SUBJECT HEADINGS IN THE CENTRAL CLASSIFIED FILES WITH NOTES ON "ANTECEDENT" RECORDS AND MICROFILM PUBLICATIONS

File No.	Title of File	Dates
	9-0 GENERAL	
9-0-1	Administrative	
	General	1905-46
	Holidays	1910-40
9-0-5	Taxes-Inheritance	1907-51
9-0-6	Reservations-Garrisoned Posts	1907
9-0-13	Mexican Raiders, Arizona-New Mexico	1907
9-0-14	Protection of Lives of Miners and Annual Reports of Mine Inspectors	1907-10
9-0-15	Increase--Salaries of Territorial Officials	1908-49
9-0-17	Jurisdiction of Several Departments Over the Territories	1905
9-0-19	Executive Orders and Proclamations	1908-51
9-0-21	Foreign Subjects in Arizona and New Mexico	1909-10
	9-2 ARIZONA	
9-2-1	Annual Reports of Governors and Territorial Officials	1907-12, 1919
9-2-2	Claims Against the Territory	1907
9-2-3	Smuggling of Arms to Yaqui Indians	1907-9
9-2-4	Comptroller's Decisions	1908
9-2-5	Toll Road, Grand Canyon Forest Reserve	1907
9-2-6	Extradition With Mexico for Escaped Convicts	1907-11
9-2-7	Arizona Corporation Charter Guarantee Company	1907
9-2-8	Acts of Legislature	1907-12
9-2-9	Miscellaneous	1907-12
9-2-10	Federal Appointments	1907-8
9-2-11	Leave Granted Governor	1907-12
9-2-12	Observatory Land Tract	1908
9-2-13	Protection of Mexican Citizens, Improper Treatment of Mexicans	1908-11
9-2-15	Bond Issue	
	General	1908-10
	Legislation	1909-11
9-2-16	Statehood	
	General	1908-13
	Legislation	1911-12
9-2-17	Judicial Affairs	1909-11
9-2-18	Professional Practice in Territory	1909-11

File No.	Title of File	Dates
9-2-19	National Forests	1909
9-2-21	General Legislation	1909-11

Antecedent Records

The records of the Patents and Miscellaneous Division of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior include records relating to the Territory of Arizona, 1868-1907.

Microfilm Publication

M429, *Interior Department Territorial Papers: Arizona, 1868-1913* (8 rolls). The "Antecedent" records are reproduced on Rolls 1-5; the "9" files, on Rolls 6-8.

9-5 NEW MEXICO

9-5-2	Extradition With Mexico	1908
9-5-3	Progress and Development, Annual Reports, Executive Proceedings, etc.	1907-13
9-5-4	Depository for Territorial Funds	1907
9-5-5	Investigation of Land Transactions	
	American Lumber Company	1907-13
	General	1906-9
	Pennsylvania Development Company, New Mexico Fuel and Iron Company, and W.S. Hopewell	1906-9
	Rio Mimbres Irrigation Company	1908
9-5-6	Miscellaneous Matters	1907-12, 1923
9-5-7	Legislation	
	Acts of Legislature, Journal of Legislative Proceedings, General	1906-12
	Legislative Assembly--Legislation, 60th and 61st Congresses	1908-10
9-5-8	Statehood	
	Constitution (printed materials of the document and proceedings of the Constitutional Convention, Oct. 3-Nov. 21, 1910, not filmed)	
	General	1907-14
	Legislation	1910-14
9-5-9	Investment of Territorial Funds	1907-11
9-5-10	Proclamations of Governor	1907-10
9-5-11	Normal University	1907
9-5-12	Attorney General	1907
9-5-13	Leave Granted Territorial Officials	1907-11
9-5-14	Cruelty to Animals	1908
9-5-15	Protection of American Citizens; Improper Treatment of Mexicans	1908-11
9-5-16	Liquor Traffic, Regulation, and Prohibition	1908

File No.	Title of File	Dates
9-5-17	New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts	1908
9-5-18	Territorial and School Lands	
	General	1907-12
	Leases	
	Forms	1907
	Gaar, James M. et al.	1908-10
	General	1907-11
	Legislation	1910
9-5-19	Judicial Affairs	1908-9
9-5-20	Messages of Governor to Legislative Assembly	1909
9-5-21	Bond Issues	
	General	1909
	Legislation, 60th and 61st Congresses	1908-10
9-5-22	Sale of Timber on Territorial Lands	1908
9-5-23	Professional Practice in Territory	1908-10
9-5-24	Proceeds From National Forests	1909
9-5-25	New Mexico Institute for the Blind	1909
9-5-26	General Legislation	1908-12
9-5-27	Construction of Public Wells--Legislation	1910
9-5-28	Official Seal	1911
9-5-29	Court of Private Land Claims	1911

Antecedent Records

Records of the period from 1851 to 1907 are among the records of the Patents and Miscellaneous Division of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior.

Microfilm Publication

M364, *Interior Department Territorial Papers: New Mexico, 1851-1914* (15 rolls). The "Antecedent" records are reproduced on Rolls 1-9; the "9" files, on Rolls 10-15.

9-6 OKLAHOMA

9-6-1	Proposed Constitution	1905-8
9-6-2	Oil Inspection Laws	1907
9-6-3	Town Lot Fund	1907-12
9-6-4	Reports of Treasurer and Secretary of Board for Leasing School Lands	1907
9-6-5	Census	1907
9-6-6	Progress and Development	1907-8
9-6-7	Miscellaneous	1907-9
9-6-8	Complaint	
	Sarah Frey vs. Dave McClure	1907
9-6-9	Election Expenses--Constitutional Convention	1907-9
9-6-10	Acts of Legislature	1907-8

File No.	Title of File	Dates
9-6-11	"Enabling Act"	1907
9-6-12	Appointment of Townsite Trustees	1907
9-6-13	Appointment of Notaries Public	1907
9-6-14	Statehood	1907-9, 1918
9-6-15	Bank Holiday	1907
9-6-16	Newspaper Clippings	1907

Antecedent Records

Files for the period from 1890 to 1907 are among the records of the Patents and Miscellaneous Division, Office of the Secretary of the Interior. Included with the records of the Indian Territory Division of the Secretary's Office are some records for the period 1898-1907.

Microfilm Publication

M828, *Interior Department Territorial Papers: Oklahoma, 1889-1912* (5 rolls). The "Antecedent" records are reproduced on Rolls 1-5; the "9" files, on Roll 5.

Record Group 515

RECORDS OF THE HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY (HABS)/HISTORIC AMERICAN ENGINEERING RECORDS (HAER) DIVISION

UTAH

ROCKVILLE *Washington County (27)*

Desert Telegraph and Post Office Building. Irregular ashlar, one and a half stories, mid 19th C. 7 sheets (1940); 3 photos (1940).

SALT LAKE CITY *Salt Lake County (18)*

Beehive House, South Temple and North State Street. Ashlar and stucco, two stories with cupola, mid 19th C., mansion type, Greek Revival, two-story veranda. Truman O. Angell, Architect. 13 sheets (1934); 4 photos (1934).

Deuel Cabin. Log, one story, mid 19th C., (moved). 1 photo (1937).

Mormon Tabernacle. Regular ashlar, one story, mid 19th C. William H. Folsom, Architect. 6 photos (c. 1900; 1937).

Historic American Buildings Survey, National Park Service, Historic American Buildings Survey: Catalog of the Measured Drawings and Photographs of the Survey in the Library of Congress, March 1, 1941, *p. 373.*

INTRODUCTION

515.1 In 1933 the National Park Service initiated the creation of the Historic American Buildings Survey, a national architectural archive that would be of interest to architects, historians, preservationists, and others. The Survey's purpose was to record an almost complete résumé of the building art in the United States by collecting information on all types of construction, for all time periods, from all regions of the country. Established during the Great Depression and funded by the Civil Works Administration, the Survey used architects, draftsmen, and photographers employed under several Federal relief programs to compile a graphic record of the Nation's historic buildings and structures. The value of the Survey was immediately recognized, and in 1934 the National Park Service entered into an agreement with the American Institute of Architects and the Library of Congress to conduct the Survey on a permanent basis. The program's legislative mandate initially came through the Historic Sites, Buildings, Objects, and Antiquities Act (49 Stat. 666) of August 21, 1935, which authorized the Secretary of the Interior, through the National Park Service, to "Secure, collate, and preserve drawings, plans, photographs, and other data of historic and archaeologic sites, buildings, and objects." The active measuring and photographing program was suspended during World War II, and it was not until 1957 that funds were once again provided to finance its resumption. The Historic Preservation Act of 1980 reaffirmed the program's mandate.

515.2 Despite the lack of funding during the 1941-57 period, the Survey's collection continued to grow through donations of drawings and photographs from individuals, universities, and members of the American Institute of Architects. The National Park Service also contributed records of structures under its care.

515.3 The original 1934 agreement remains in force. Under its terms, the National Park Service administers the planning and operation of the Survey with funds appropriated by Congress and supplemented by gifts from individuals, foundations, and associations. While the American Institute of Architects provides professional counsel through its national membership, the National Park Service is responsible for establishing qualitative standards, organizing projects, and selecting subjects for recording; directing the pre-

paration of measured drawings, photographs, and other documentation; cataloging the resulting materials; and placing them with the Library of Congress. The Library preserves the photographs, measured drawings, and related data, making them available for study and supplying reproductions.

515.4 The Library of Congress provides similar services for the product materials of the Historic American Engineering Record (HAER), founded jointly in 1969 by the National Park Service, the Library of Congress, and the American Society of Civil Engineers to document nationally significant engineering and industrial sites such as the Olmsted Hydroelectric Plant in Orem, Utah, 1903-4. Before 1969, HABS had recorded many sites and structures that were of interest more for their technological or engineering features than for their architecture. Much like HABS, the Engineering Record documents sites and stuctures through measured drawings, photographs, and narrative histories. The HAER records consist of drawings of early machinery, bridges, and industrial buildings arranged alphabetically by State, county, city, and structure; photo data books, also arranged alphabetically by State, county, city, and structure; and field notebooks, arranged chronologically by the date they were received in the Office of the Chief.

515.5 The HABS and HAER programs were administered by several units in the National Park Service until 1978, when they were consolidated as the National Architectural and Engineering Record and transferred to the newly established Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service. Within that agency they were administered by the National Architectural and Engineering Record Division. When the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service was abolished in 1981, the Division was returned to the National Park Service and redesignated the HABS/HAER Division.

515.6 Records concerning historic structures and their restoration are found in Record Group 69, Records of the Work Projects Administration, which also includes the records of the Civil Works Administration and the Federal Emergency Relief Administration. Related records are in Record Group 79, Records of the National Park Service, include information about historic structures in various park areas as well as those buildings proposed for inclusion in the national parks system.

515.7 Editorial Note: This record group is unusual in that its records are divided between the National Archives at College Park and the Library of Congress. In accordance with the agreements establishing the HABS and HAER programs, the product materials produced by the programs are maintained and serviced by the Prints and Photographs Division of the Library of Congress. As of January 1993, HABS/HAER had recorded 28,226 buildings, structures, and sites, through 48,745 sheets of measured drawings, 150,262 photographs, 89,810 data pages, and 12,453 photograph caption pages. Of this number, the HAER collection, documenting 3,582 structures, consisted of some 2,000 sheets of measured drawings, nearly 36,000 photographs, and about 25,000 data pages. The types of pre-1913 buildings and other structures covered by the HABS/HAER product materials and the States in which they are located are listed in Table-515.7, accompanying this chapter. The emphasis of the chapter itself is on those program-generated administrative records, primarily textual, that include information about historical structures and are now housed in the National Archives at College Park, MD. Given the nature of the Survey's mission, nearly all of the records concern historic structures, but only those series containing significant amounts of relevant information are discussed below. Filed with the separately maintained photographic record collections in the National Archives are posters publicizing HABS/HAER exhibits, special events, summer employment recruitment, and winners of the Charles E. Peterson Prize, 1968-96 (**P**). Several of these posters feature historic buildings and structures in Arizona, California, Kansas, Oregon, Texas, Utah, and Washington.

RECORDS OF THE HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

RECORDS OF CHARLES E. PETERSON

515.8 Charles E. Peterson, founder of the Historic American Buildings Survey, had a long and prestigious career with the National Park Service, beginning in 1929, when he joined the Service as a landscape architect at the Western field headquarters in San Francisco. In 1930 he transferred to Yorktown, VA, serving there until 1933, when he moved to the Washington, DC, office and was appointed Deputy Chief Architect, Branch of Plans and Design. It was in that position that he proposed the establishment of the Historic American Buildings Survey. In 1936 he moved to St. Louis, MO, where he was the senior landscape architect for the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial until 1948. Thereafter he served as re-

gional architect, Richmond, VA, 1948-49; resident architect with the Independence National Historic Project in Philadelphia, PA, 1950-54; and supervising architect for historic structures in the Eastern United States, 1954-62. His office records consist of three small series, mentioned here primarily for the information they provide about the origin and development of the Survey: **the proposal to establish the Historic American Buildings Survey, 1933** (negligible); **the original draft of the Historic Sites Survey, 1933** (negligible); and **general correspondence, 1935-53** (1 in.). Some of his files are also found in the series of District and State correspondence (515.11).

Records Relating to Plans and Design

515.9 Correspondence, reports, photographs, publications, and other reference materials are included in **State organization files, 1933-50** (11 ft.), which were maintained by the Branch of Plans and Designs, National Park Service. The records are arranged by State and thereunder by some, or all, of the following categories: outline, organization, preservation and restoration, and priorities and records. All of the Western States except North Dakota are represented in this series, although, as noted, the number of categories found for each State varies somewhat. Present for most States is a file on priority projects, and the files for Arkansas, Northern and Southern California, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, and Washington include reports called "Outline of the Development of Early American Architecture." These reports usually are general surveys of the types of architecture found within each State. The report for Southern California covers the period 1769 to 1860, and the Texas report covers East Texas and the Southwestern States. Some, but not all, of these reports are accompanied by photographs. Other items of particular interest are listed below by State:

1. **Arkansas**: Files include ribbon and carbon copies of "Outline of the Development of Early American Architecture," which is illustrated with photographs and floor plans. The buildings discussed include the following: Old Log House in Benton; Old Stage Coach Inn, near Clarksville, Johnson County; the Commissary Building at Fort Smith, Sebastian County; the McHenry House, near Little Rock, Pulaski County; the Shepherd Home in Benton; the Old House in Little Rock; Lakeport Place, near Lake Village; the Potts House in Pottsville; Main Street in Little Rock, 1840; and the pre-Civil War Old St. John's College, the Albert Pike Home, Trapnall Hall, and the Wells Home, all in Little Rock.

2. **California:** Included are illustrated reports on the "Old U.S. Mint Building" and "The Presidio of San Francisco."

3. **Louisiana:** The "Outline" file includes three articles taken from the April 1938 issue of *Pencil Points:*, "A Portfolio of 16 Photographic Studies by Eugene A. Delcroix of New Orleans and Its Environs"; "Architectural Highlights of the Vieux Carre," illustrated by photographs of buildings and architectural details and reproductions of HABS measured drawings; and "Louisiana Plantations," with photographs by Robert W. Tebbs. Also in the file are reproductions of cartographic items, including maps showing "Bayous, Rivers, Early Trails, and Important Plantations" in Louisiana; the "Location of Old Houses" in New Orleans; and a plan of the city and suburbs of New Orleans in 1815.

4. **Oregon:** Included in the Preservation and Restoration file are issues of *The Oregon Historical Quarterly*, for March and June 1934 (Vol. XXXV, Nos. 1 and 2), containing articles by Jamieson Parks on the HABS program.

5. **South Dakota:** Included is a file containing historical and descriptive data and photographs on Old Fort Randall Church in Gregory County.

6. **Texas:** Included in the Priorities folder are photographs, newspaper clippings, and a measured drawing of the ranch house at Anchor Ranch. Also available are photographs taken in East Texas.

515.10 General subject files, 1933-50 (5 ft.), including some documents dated as recently as 1966, consist of miscellaneous and general information files created and maintained by the Branch of Plans and Design. The files are generally unarranged, although all of the folders have titles and/or date spans identifying their contents to some degree. The first few files contain general background materials collected by the National Park Service concerning historic sites and buildings and other structures of architectural merit throughout the United States and historic structures in National Park Service areas.

Records of District Offices

515.11 In 1939 the National Park Service was allotted public works funds to extend the Historic American Buildings Survey to areas that had not yet

been sufficiently studied. As a result, the Central Unit, headquartered in St. Louis, MO, and three other field units were established. Charles Peterson, who was serving in St. Louis at that time as senior landscape architect for the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial, worked with the Central Unit, which had jurisdiction over that part of the Mississippi River Valley encompassing the region from Iowa to Louisiana and Kentucky to Kansas. His files, 1939-41, account for one of two segments constituting a series of **District and State correspondence, 1934-41** (10 in.). The other segment consists of chronologically arranged correspondence of the District Office located in Philadelphia, PA. The Peterson segment of the series (7 in.) is arranged by State and includes files for the following: Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Texas. Some of the State files include copies of State priority lists. Both segments of the series were originally part of the field office records of the National Park Service in Record Group 79 held by the National Archives and Records Administration--Mid Atlantic Region (Center City) in Philadelphia. When Record Group 515 was established in 1992, the series was transferred to Washington, DC, and consolidated with the other HABS/HAER records now held at the National Archives at College Park, MD.

Records of the Office of the Chief of Administration

515.12 The Office of Administration maintained a set of the **Historic American Building Survey inventory forms, 1952-86** (6 ft.), used to identify structures scheduled for documentation by the Survey. Each form, frequently an electrostatic copy of the original inventory form, contains basic information about the structure, usually including the following: its name, location, and HABS number; the names of the original and current owners and the use each made of the building; the date of construction, and the structure's period or style, and the name of the architect if applicable; a statement concerning the structure's historic significance; and a physical description of the structure, including the type of wall construction, number of stories, dimensions, condition, and value. In addition, the forms usually include a photograph of the structure and a location map. A few forms include floor plans or sketches of architectural features, and a few are accompanied by multiple photographs. The standard form was modified several times to allow for greater description and larger photographs. Also found in the series are forms for theme studies conducted by the Survey, such as a survey of structures in the vicinity of the Mississippi River town of Prairie Du Chien, WI, and a survey of Army family housing at Fort Douglas in Utah, Fort Sill in Oklahoma, various military posts in California, and other military installations. The inventory forms used for these studies are similar to those described above, but each form for the military housing survey includes a map of the post being surveyed.

515.13 The bulk of the records are arranged alphabetically by State and thereunder by locality (county, city, or area). The State segment is preceded by an agency-created index and administrative history of the HABS inventory project and followed by the theme studies materials. No records are found in this series for Kansas, Minnesota, Nevada, North Dakota, Oklahoma, or South Dakota.

Records of the Office of Chief of Planning

515.14 Letters, memorandums, and notes are a small part of the materials making up the **State survey files, 1960-80** (9 ft.). Also included are newspaper clippings and articles, commemorative publications, magazine articles, leaflets, picture postcards, road maps, town plats, miscellaneous photographs and negatives, drawings, and other items containing background information used to compile written histories of subject structures. The materials are arranged alphabetically by State, thereunder by county, and thereunder by city. Some of the reports, publications of various kinds, and other items of particular interest found in the State files are identified below:

1. **Arizona:** A report by Perry E. Borchers titled "Terrestrial Photogrammetry of Cliff Dwellings in the Canyons of Arizona," with illustrations.
2. **Arkansas:** A report by James W. Leslie titled "A Survey of Important Historic and Architectural Structures in Pine Bluff, Arkansas," with illustrations.
3. **California:** Slides of historical buildings in Hercules, Contra Costa County; and data on historic buildings in Sacramento and San Diego
4. **Colorado:** Newspaper articles, clippings, and copies of photographs concerning the dismantling of the town of Bowie, CO; and the booklets *Georgetown: A Walking Tour* (1973), by Cynthia Wadsworth, and *The Silver Plume Schoolhouse*, by Richard Wolfe.

5. **Idaho:** A copy of a brief article about beehive charcoal kilns at Bayhorse (now extinct), Custer County, from *Sunset*, March 1971, and a photograph of the kilns.

6. **Iowa:** A newspaper article on the "Squirrel Cage Jail," in Pottawattamie County; a booklet by Rev. Glenn L. Utterback, Pastor, called *History of the Little Brown Church in Story and in Song*, and a color postcard showing the interior of "The Little Brown Church in the Vale," in Bradford (now extinct), near Nashua, Chickasaw County; an article by Gerald Kennedy, "U.S. Army Hospital: Keokuk, 1862-1865," *Annals of Iowa*, Vol. 40, No. 2, Fall 1969; a Special Edition issue on "Grenville Mellen Dodge, Soldier-Engineer," *The Palimpsest*, November 1966; and information about the Old Quaker Meeting House, West Branch.

7. **Kansas:** A report by LuRaye S. Crandall and Dr. Marilyn Stokstad called "The Architectural Sources of Plymouth Congregational Church, Lawrence," 1968; "Ft. Larned, Kansas," Historic Structures Report, Pt. 1, Don Rickey, Jr., and Thomas N. Crellin, compilers; a report called "Brief History of Agency House, Kansas, Indian Agency near Silver Lake, Kansas"; a booklet, *Old Shawnee Mission, 1839-1939*; and a catalog, *Nineteenth Century Houses in Lawrence, Kansas*, for an exhibit at the University of Kansas Museum of Art.

8. **Louisiana:** A report by Charles J. Collins, "A History of the United States Mint, New Orleans, Louisiana," prepared for the Baton Rouge Bureau for Lath and Plaster, 1970; a report called "Preservation Is Progress--New Orleans," 1980; an undated typescript report, "Iron Work, New Orleans"; a booklet, *The Old Robinson House, 1415 Third Street, New Orleans, Louisiana* (1936); a booklet by Frank Bond, *The Louisiana Purchase*, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1959 reprint of 1933 edition; a booklet by Walter Lowrey, *912 Orleans Street, The Story of a Rescue* (1965); and numerous photographs of historic structures.

9. **Minnesota:** An article by Jim Landberg on the State Capitol at St. Paul, "Cass Gilbert's Capitol Idea," *Minnesotan* (Supplement), October-December, 1977; and a picture of the U.S. Courthouse, Post Office, and Customhouse building in St. Paul.

10. **Missouri:** Historic Buildings Commission, St. Louis County, Interim Survey Report, *100 Historic Buildings in St. Louis County*, Department of Parks and Recreation (1970); an undated booklet by Marie Josephine Carr, *Valiant Woman of Pioneer Missouri*, a profile of Mother Philippine Duchesne, Society of the Sacred Heart; an article by Berton Roueché, "Schonheit Muss Leiden," *The New Yorker*, Feb. 28, 1977, pp. 37-50, concerning Hermann, MO; *The Old St. Louis Riverfront* (1938), a "bulletin" accompanying an exhibition of architectural studies in the historic area of the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial; documents and photographs relating to the Missouri Botanical Garden; copies of three issues of the *Bulletin,* issued by the Missouri Historical Society, one of which included an article by Charles van Ravenswaay on historic structures in the vicinity of Jefferson National Expansion Memorial (July 1936); and articles by Charles E. Peterson titled "Colonial Saint Louis" (April 1947) and "Manual Lisa's Warehouse" (January 1948).

11. **Montana:** An article by John N. and Bernice W. DeHaas, "Footlights and Fire Engines: The Story of Bozeman's Glorious Old Opera House-City Hall," reprinted from *Montana, The Magazine of Western History*, Vol. XVI, No. 4, Oct. 1867.

12. **Nebraska:** A report by John Q. Magie II, "Notes on the History and Architecture of City Hall, Lincoln, Nebraska," 1967; and a drawing of the U.S. Courthouse, Customhouse, and Post Office building, Omaha.

13. **Nevada:** Thirteen picture postcards; the December 27, 1974, New Year's Issue of the *Gold Hill News*, Gold Hill, NV, containing a story on the demolition of a church at Dayton; a pamphlet by Malcolm McEachin, "A Cornerstone for the Capitol," the story of the laying of the cornerstone of the State Capitol at Carson City on June 9, 1870 (1946); a booklet by Arthur S. Kean, *The First Hundred Years of St. Peter's Church and Parish, Carson City, Nevada, 1863-1963*, including a reprint of Rev. Lloyd B. Thomas' "Fifty Years of a Frontier Parish: A History of Saint Peter's Parish, Carson City, Nevada, 1863-1913" (1963); a booklet by Frederick C. Gale, *The History of the Capitol Building and Governor's Mansion, State of Nevada* (1968); a photograph of the Bliss Mansion; a copy of the "Second Report of the Virginia City Restoration Commission" and photographs; and a Supplementary Report, Oct. 24, 1972, to the Final Report, HABS Project, 1972.

14. **New Mexico:** Materials concerning San Miguel Del Bado, San Miguel County; a booklet by Rita Hill, *Then and Now, Here and Around Shakespeare* (1963); and a copy of a booklet by Stephen F. de Borhegyi, *El Santuario de Chimayo*, The Spanish Colonial Arts Society (1956), and related postcards.

15. **North Dakota:** Photographs of buildings at the Congregational Mission, Fort Berthold Indian Agency, Elbowoods; the Grassy Butte Post Office, McKenzie County; and the restored Maltese Cross cabin, Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park.

16. **Oklahoma:** A general plan of Fort Sill, Indian Territory, 1874, and two photographs of officers' quarters; a photographic report on historic architecture of Guthrie, Logan County; a copy of a typescript study of the Saline District, Cherokee Nation, prepared by Victoria Cole, Joseph Fourkiller, and Dave Norfolk for use in the restoration of the Saline Courthouse; and a booklet, *Oklahoma's Green Country* (ca. 1974).

17. **Oregon:** A leaflet on historic Jacksonville and a booklet, *The Story of Jacksonville's U.S. Hotel and the Bank that Came to Stay!*; a booklet by Marjorie O'Harra, *The Ashland Storybook*; photographs of exterior and interior details of the Rice Dunbar House, 1851, in Marion County; and a historic assessment of the Chemawa Indian High School, Chemawa, prepared by Darwin Doss and George McMath.

18. **South Dakota:** Photographs of buildings at the Bon Homme Hutterite Colony, Gavins Point, Bon Homme County; and an undated booklet, *World's Only Corn Palace, Mitchell, South Dakota.*

19. **Texas:** A report by Thomas G. McCaskey, "The Cattle Baron Legacy of Fort Worth and Tarrant County," 1973; photographs of houses and commercial buildings in Austin; a 5- by 7-inch card set of drawings by Robert Scott titled "Historical Medallion Homes & Buildings in Brownsville," and photographs of and articles on various buildings in Brownsville; reports by W.H. Timmons, "The El Paso Area in the Mexican Period, 1821-1848," and Ernest J. Burrus, S.J., "Socorro, Texas: An Historical Account," and photographs of buildings in El Paso; and several newsletters and copies of newspaper stories on Galveston.

20. **Utah:** Photographs of homes in Willard, Salt Lake City, and Pleasant Grove; of railroad depots at Cache Junction and Park City; and of the Ephraim United Order Mercantile Institution (Ephraim Co-op Building), in Ephraim, Sanpete County.

21. **Washington:** A booklet by William A. Bake, *Stehekin: A Wilderness Journey in the North Cascades* (1977).

22. **Wyoming:** Photographs of the Ivinson mansion in Laramie and of buildings in South Pass City, and measured drawings and plans of buildings at Grand Teton National Park.

515.15 Letters exchanged between Survey officials and members of architectural and historical societies, Federal agencies, and other institutions and organizations as well as with various private individuals interested in specific projects or proposed projects make up the bulk of the **State operations correspondence, 1950-80** (19 ft.). Also included for many States are reference files and press files. The records are arranged alphabetically by State and thereunder by type of file. Found with the records for California are files relating to Benicia and to a Chinese-American agricultural community at Locke. Among the records for Missouri is a file on the "Old St. Louis Post Office," and those for Nevada include two files relating to Carson City. The Texas materials include files labeled "San Antonio and Galveston" and "Stagecoach Inn, Chappell Hill."

RECORDS RELATING TO PUBLICATIONS

515.16 Miscellaneous documents, including correspondence, memorandums, contracts, drafts, lists of photographs and captions, and other background materials make up a series of records relating to **State catalogs, 1965-85** (7 ft.). Of the trans-Mississippi States, however, only California is represented in this series. A catalog for Texas is found in a series of Survey **publications, 1971-95** (4 ft.). Compiled by Paul Goeldner and edited by Lucy Pope Wheeler and S. Allen Chambers, Jr., the catalog was published in 1974 by Trinity University Press, San Antonio, as *Historic American Buildings Survey, Texas Catalog: A List of Measured Drawings, Photographs, and Written Documentation in the Survey*. Other pertinent items which are found in this series are "A List of Published Writings of Special Interest in the Study of Historic Architecture of the Mississippi Valley," which was produced by the HABS Central Unit, St. Louis, and *Pueblo of Laguna: A Project Report* (1983), compiled by Marjorie Baer and Ann Baggerman Frej.

515.17 A collection of **miscellaneous publications, 1961-83** (2 ft.), accumulated by the Survey includes *The Crown City's Brightest Gem: A History of the Hotel Del Coronado, Coronado, California* (1972), by Marci Buckley, and a copy of "A List of Furnished Historic Houses in the United States," compiled in 1970 by Nancy K. Beinke for the Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation, National Park Service. The list contains sections for all of the States covered by this guide.

RECORDS OF THE HISTORIC AMERICAN ENGINEERING RECORD

RECORDS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

515.18 Letters and memorandums exchanged between the Chief and members of the HAER staff and the staff of HABS, individuals, organizations, institutions, and historical societies on the national, State, and local levels make up the **State correspondence files, 1869-89** (ca. 5 ft.), which are arranged in two overlapping chronological segments, 1969-82 and 1978-89. The records in each segment are arranged alphabetically by State and thereunder chronologically. The correspondence is concerned largely with potential and established projects such as canals, bridges, ships, railroads, water pump stations, windmills, and grist mills. Interspersed are photographs, pamphlets, maps, drawings, and newspaper articles.

515.19 Letters exchanged between officials of HAER and representatives of architectural, industrial, and technological societies, Federal agencies, and other institutions and organizations as well as private individuals relating to specific surveys, inventories, and projects make up the bulk of the series **State operations surveys, 1967-81** (6 ft.). Also included are photographs, drawings, newspaper clippings, and other reference materials. These records are arranged chronologically by date of survey, inventory, or project. Some pertinent items are listed below:

1. 1971 and 1972: Files on the Southwest Water Resources Project include the paper "Early Engineering in the American Southwest," prepared by Steven R. Rae and Joseph E. Minor for the 1972 annual and national Environmental Engineering Meeting of the American Society of Civil Engineers, and a map showing "Early Water Supply Systems in the Southwest," covering Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Texas, and Utah.

2. 1976: Files labeled "Emergency Recording Surveys" include information regarding the "Old Island Power Plant" at American Falls, ID.

3. 1978: Files include material on the Mare Island Naval Shipyard, CA; Watkins Mill near Lawson, MO; and Laurel Valley Sugar Plantation near Thibodaux, LA.

4. 1979: Project files relate to Laguna Pueblo, NM, and Butte-Anaconda, MT.

5. 1980: Files include material on the Guthrie, OK, rehabilitation project.

515.20 A **logbook and State inventories of HAER projects, 1970-81** (1 ft.), document the development and completion of HAER surveys and projects. Included are inventories for California, Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, and South Dakota. Also in this series is an inventory of bridges in Montana, an inventory of historic bridges, and a general inventory of various HAER projects that includes sections for Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Texas, Utah, and Wyoming.

TABLE - 515.7

LIST OF TYPES OF PRE-1913 BUILDINGS AND OTHER STRUCTURES

Documented by HABS/HAER and the States Where They Are Located

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These lists were compiled from information contained in the following publications issued by the programs:

Historic American Buildings Survey: *Catalog of the Measured Drawings and Photographs of the Survey in the Library of Congress, March 1, 1941* (1941)

Historic American Buildings Survey: *Catalog of the Measured Drawings and Photographs of the Survey in the Library of Congress, Comprising Additions Since March 1, 1941* (1959)

Historic American Buildings Survey/Historic American Engineering Record: *HAER Checklist: 1969-1985. A listing of sites, structures and objects documented by the Historic American Engineering Record* (1985)

Historic American Engineering Record: *Historic American Engineering Record Catalog, 1976* (1976)

Historic American Buildings Survey/Historic American Engineering Record: *Annual Report, 1990*

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

Apartments and Tenement Buildings
Arizona

Aqueducts
Texas

Arsenals
Arkansas, California, Louisiana, Missouri, Texas

Banks
Arizona, California, Idaho, Iowa, Louisiana, Missouri, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas

Barns and Sheds; see also Farm Buildings; Forts and Fortifications; and Ranch Buildings
California, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, New Mexico, Texas, Utah, Washington

Barracks; see also Forts and Fortifications
California, Missouri, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Washington

Blacksmith Shops
Arizona, Kansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas

Blockhouses and Garrisons; see also Forts and Fortifications
California, Montana, Oregon, Texas, Washington

Breweries
California, Colorado, Nevada, Oklahoma

Bridges
California, Colorado, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, Utah

Covered Bridges: California, Iowa, Kansas

Capitols
Arizona, Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Nevada, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah, Wyoming

Cemeteries
California, Missouri

Churches, Cathedrals, Chapels, and Synagogues; see also Kivas; Missions, Monasteries, and Cloisters; and Meeting Houses
Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington

College and University Buildings
Arizona, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas

Community Sect Buildings
Iowa

Convents
Arizona, Louisiana, Missouri, New Mexico

Court Houses
Arizona, Arkansas, California, Idaho, Iowa, Louisiana, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Washington

Custom Houses
California, Louisiana, Minnesota, Texas

Dairies
Arkansas, Iowa

Dog-Run Type Buildings
Missouri, Texas, Washington

Drug Stores
Minnesota, Oregon

Dwellings
Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming

Factories and Warehouses; see also Mills
California, Louisiana, Minnesota, Texas

Farm Buildings, including granaries, corncribs, pigeon houses, smokehouses, cotton gins, ice houses, etc.; see also Dairies; Barns and Sheds; and Well Structures
Arkansas, California, Iowa, Louisiana, Missouri, Texas, Utah, Washington

Fences
Arizona, Louisiana, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington

Fire Stations
Arizona, California, Louisiana, Minnesota, Nevada

Forts and Fortifications; see also Barns and Sheds; Barracks; and Blockhouses and Garrisons
Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming

Fraternal and Club Buildings
California, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Texas, Washington

Garden (Summer) Houses
Louisiana

Gates and Gatehouses
Arizona, California, Louisiana, Minnesota, New Mexico

Government Office Buildings; see also Capitols; Court Houses; Custom Houses; Land Offices; and Town and City Halls
Louisiana, Missouri, Texas

Governor's Palaces and Mansions
New Mexico, Texas

Half-timber Houses
Missouri, Texas

Hospitals
Arizona, California, Idaho, Iowa, Louisiana, Missouri, Washington, Wyoming

Indian Villages and Pueblos
Arizona, New Mexico

Inns, Hotels, and Taverns
Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming

Jails
California, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Washington, Wyoming

Kilns
Arizona, California, Texas

Kivas
New Mexico

Land Offices
Arizona, California, Texas

Library Buildings
California, Iowa, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Washington

Lighthouses and Coast Beacons
California, Louisiana, Minnesota, Texas

Log Houses
California, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington

Logging Camp
Minnesota

Meeting Houses
Iowa, Minnesota, New Mexico

Mercantile Buildings
Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas, Washington

Mills; see also Factories and Warehouses
California, Iowa, Minnesota, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Utah

Mine Structures
California, Minnesota, Nevada, Utah

Mints
Colorado, Louisiana, Nevada

Missions, Monasteries, and Cloisters
Arizona, Idaho, Kansas, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Texas, Washington, Wyoming

Monuments
California, Iowa, Louisiana, Missouri,

Museums
California, Idaho, Louisiana, Oregon, Texas, Wyoming

Octagonal Buildings
Iowa, Minnesota

Officers' Quarters
Arizona, California, Idaho, Kansas, Minnesota, Montana, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington

Offices; see also Outbuildings
California, Iowa, Louisiana

Outbuildings, including Plantation Offices, Kitchens, Playhouses, Privies, etc.
Arkansas, California, Iowa, Louisiana, Texas

Post Offices
Arizona, California, Colorado, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington

Powder Magazines; see also Forts and Fortifications
North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Washington

Printing Shops
Texas

Quarters
Louisiana, Missouri, New Mexico, Texas

Railroad Stations
Arizona, California, Idaho, Iowa, Missouri, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas, Utah

Railways
California, Montana, Nevada, Utah

Ranch Building; see also Barns and Sheds
Arizona, California, Colorado, Montana, Texas, Wyoming

Ranger Stations
Colorado, Washington

Rectories, Parsonages, etc.
California, Louisiana, Texas

Saddler Shops
Texas

Schools; see also College and University Buildings
California, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming

Shot Towers
Iowa

Stables
California, Louisiana, New Mexico, Texas

Stage Stations
Arizona, California, Colorado, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming

Stores and Shops; see also Blacksmith Shops; Drug Stores; Printing Shops; Saddler Shops
Arizona, California, Idaho, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Washington

Theatres and Opera Houses
Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Louisiana, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Wyoming

Towers, Separate From Other Structures
Minnesota

Town and City Halls
Arizona, California, Idaho, Iowa, Louisiana, Montana, Nebraska, Oregon

Trading Posts
Arizona, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, Washington

Well Structures
California, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, Texas

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HISTORIC AMERICAN ENGINEERING RECORD*

Acequias
Texas

Aqueducts
Texas

Bathhouses
Arkansas

Breweries
Colorado, Minnesota

Brick Works
Texas

Bridges
Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wyoming

Covered Bridges: California

Railroad Bridges: Colorado, Utah

Suspension Bridges: Arizona, California

Canals
Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Utah

Canneries
California, Washington

Churches
Utah

Dams; see also Locks and Dams
Arkansas, California, Missouri, Montana, Oregon, Utah, Wyoming

Diversion Dams: Arizona, Colorado, Texas

Ditches
Colorado

Dwellings
California

Factories
California, Colorado, Iowa, Utah

Foundries
Colorado

Garages
Missouri

Highways (and Trails)
Montana, Oregon, Utah

Hydroelectric Plants; see also Power Plants
California, Colorado, Utah

Iron and Steel Works
Colorado

Irrigation Systems
Colorado, Texas, Utah

Kilns
Colorado, Idaho, Utah

Locks and Dams (River)
Arkansas, Iowa, Missouri, Oregon, Wyoming

Machine Shop
Iowa

Machinery
Utah

Mills
Missouri, Nevada, Texas, Utah, Wyoming

Mines and Mining Camp Structures
Colorado, Montana, Nevada, Utah, Wyoming

Monuments (Cemetery)
Montana

Plantation Structures
Louisiana

Power Plants
Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Oregon, Utah

Pumping Stations
California, Louisiana, Montana

Quarries
Colorado

Railroads and Railroad Station Structures
Arizona, Colorado, Missouri, Montana

Cable Railways: California

Trestles: Utah

Tunnels: Oregon

Reclamation Plants
Arizona, Utah

Refineries and Smelters
Utah

Sanitation Works
Colorado

Shipyards
California

Viaducts
Wyoming

Warehouses
Montana, Utah

Windmills (Ranch)
Texas

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*Because few of the HAER index entries date the structures being surveyed, some of the structures indicated here may postdate 1912.

APPENDIX A

NATIONAL ARCHIVES MICROFILM PUBLICATIONS CITED

M62	Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior Relating to Yellowstone Park, 1872-1886*
M96	Project Histories and Reports of Reclamation Bureau Projects, 1905-1925
M152	Letters Sent by the United States Geological Survey, 1879-1895
M156	Letters Received by John Wesley Powell, Director of the Geographical and Geological Survey of the Rocky Mountain Region, 1869-1879*
M157	Registers of Letters Received by the United States Geological Survey, 1879-1901
M236	A Microfilm Supplement to the Territorial Papers of the United States: Wisconsin, 1836-1848*
M325	The Territorial Papers of the United States: Iowa, 1838-1846
M364	Interior Department Territorial Papers: New Mexico, 1851-1914*
M429	Interior Department Territorial Papers: Arizona, 1868-1913*
M440	Letters Sent by the Secretary of Agriculture, 1893-1929
M590	Letters Received by the United States Geological Survey, 1879-1901
M622	Records of the Geological Exploration of the Fortieth Parallel ("King Survey"), 1867-1881*
M623	Records of the Geological and Geographical Survey of the Territories ("Hayden Survey"), 1867-1879*
M635	Letters Sent by the Commissioner of Education, 1870-1909
M721	*The Territorial Papers of the United States**
M828	Interior Department Territorial Papers: Oklahoma, 1889-1912
M1049	The Territorial Papers of the United States: Oregon, 1848-1859
M1050	The Territorial Papers of the United States: Minnesota, 1848-1858
M1145	Photographs of Irrigation Projects of the Bureau of Reclamation, 1902-1938

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* Asterisks identify publications available at the regional records facilities listed in Appendix B. Of these publications, only M721 is available at the National Archives and Records Administration--Northeast Region (Pittsfield).

APPENDIX B

LIST OF PERTINENT REGIONAL RECORDS FACILITIES

- **National Archives and Records Administration--Northeast Region (Boston)**
  380 Trapelo Road
  Waltham, MA 02154

- **National Archives and Records Administration--Northeast Region (Pittsfield)**
  100 Dan Fox Drive
  Pittsfield, MA 01201
  (No accessioned records, only microfilm related to genealogy)

- **National Archives and Records Administration--Northeast Region (New York City)**
  201 Varick Street
  New York, New York 10014

- **National Archives and Records Administration--Mid Atlantic Region (Center City Philadelphia)**
  9th and Market Streets, Room 1350
  Philadelphia, PA 19107

- **National Archives and Records Administration--Southeast Region**
  1557 St. Joseph Avenue
  East Point, GA 30344

- **National Archives and Records Administration--Great Lakes Region (Chicago)**
  7358 South Pulaski Road
  Chicago, IL 60629

- **National Archives and Records Administration--Central Plains Region**
  2312 East Bannister Road
  Kansas City, MO 64131

- **National Archives and Records Administration--Southwest Region**
  501 West Felix Street, P.O. Box 6216
  Ft. Worth, TX 76115

- **National Archives and Records Administration--Rocky Mountain Region**
  Building 48-Denver Federal Center
  Denver, CO 80225-0307

- **National Archives and Records Administration--Pacific Region (Laguna Niguel)**
  24000 Avila Road
  Laguna Niguel, CA 92656

- **National Archives and Records Administration--Pacific Region (San Francisco)**
  1000 Commodore Drive
  San Bruno, CA 94066

- **National Archives and Records Administration--Pacific Alaska Region (Seattle)**
  6125 Sand Point Way NE
  Seattle, WA 98115

- **National Archives and Records Administration--Pacific Alaska Region (Anchorage)**
  654 West Third Avenue
  Anchorage, AK 99501

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Accidents, mining - 70.18
Acequias
  Texas, Historic American Engineering Record - 515.7T
  see also Irrigation systems
Acker, W.P. - 79E
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